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NRC ISSUES ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR NATION'S NUCLEAR PLANTS

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has issued annual assessment letters to 102 of the nation's 103 operating commercial nuclear power plants. The Davis-Besse nuclear facility in Ohio will not be issued an annual assessment letter by the agency because it is currently under a special NRC oversight program.

"These letters give interested members of the public an overview of how the plants have performed," said Bruce Boger, Director of the Division of Inspection Program Management in the NRC's Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation. "The NRC will meet with the licensees of each plant to publicly discuss their performance over the past year."

A separate announcement will be issued for each plant meeting.

In addition to the annual assessment letters, plants also receive an NRC inspection plan. Updated information on plant performance is posted to the NRC web site every quarter. Most plants also receive a mid-cycle assessment letter during the year; the next mid-cycle letters will be issued in September.

The assessment letters sent to each licensee are available on the NRC web site at: http://www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/ASSESS/index.html and through ADAMS, the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System. Help in using ADAMS is available from the NRC Public Document Room by calling (301) 415-4737 or (800) 397-4209.

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