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NRC TO MEET WITH NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT TO DISCUSS PERFORMANCE INITIATIVES AT COOPER NUCLEAR STATION

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will meet with representatives of Nebraska Public Power District (NPPD) on Oct. 24 to discuss performance initiatives at the Cooper Nuclear Station. The plant is located near Brownville, Neb.

The meeting will be held at 4 p.m. at the Brownville Concert Hall, located at Atlantic Avenue and Second Street. Topics to be discussed include problem identification and resolution, equipment reliability, and human performance initiatives. Before the session is adjourned, members of the NRC staff will be available for comments and questions from the public.

Following performance problems, Cooper embarked on a self-improvement program in early 2003. In January, NRC concluded that improvements had been made in plant performance, but said it would continue to monitor the effectiveness of long-term improvement initiatives. This meeting is a part of NRC's effort to monitor progress at Cooper Nuclear Station.

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