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NRC TO MEET PUBLIC TO DISCUSS SAN ONOFRE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION STEAM GENERATOR ISSUES

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission will hold a public meeting on Feb. 12 to discuss the status of its review of Southern California Edison Co.'s (SCE) proposed plan for restarting San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station Unit 2. The plant, operated by SCE, is located in San Clemente, Calif.

The meeting will be held from 6-9 p.m. at the Capo Beach Church, 25975 Domingo Ave., in Capistrano Beach, Calif. The facility has seating for 1,100 persons and parking is free.

NRC staff will meet with the public to discuss the status of its inspection and technical evaluation of SCE's response to the NRC Confirmatory Action Letter of March 27, concerning actions required to be taken by the company to address steam generator tube degradation at San Onofre. The company's response to the Confirmatory Action Letter is available on the [NRC website](#).

A leak in a Unit 3 steam generator tube on Jan. 31, 2012, led to the shutdown of that unit. The other reactor, Unit 2, was shut down for maintenance and refueling at the time. Subsequent inspections of the nearly new steam generators in both units found unexpected wear. Both units remain safely shut down and will not be permitted to restart until NRC has reasonable assurance they can be operated safely.

The public will have an opportunity to ask questions of the NRC staff and Southern California Edison Co. officials and provide comments concerning the inspection and technical evaluation activities throughout the meeting.

"We want to provide the public with a status report on the NRC's inspection activities at San Onofre and our ongoing evaluation of Southern California Edison's proposal for restarting Unit 2," said NRC Region IV Administrator Elmo E. Collins. "We encourage interested members of the public to attend the meeting, ask questions and provide comments to the NRC staff about our ongoing review."

The meeting will be webcast live at: <http://video.nrc.gov> . The video stream will begin about 5 p.m. PDT, but the audio stream will not start until the meeting begins.

A phone bridge is also available by calling: 1-888-790-2038 and entering passcode 47018.

The webcast and phone bridge will be one-way only. Questions or comments can be submitted to the NRC staff after the meeting at: OPA4@nrc.gov .

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