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NRC Schedules Open House to Discuss Annual Assessment of Surry Nuclear Power Station

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has scheduled an open house on May 23 to discuss the agency's assessment of safety performance during 2012 at the Surry nuclear power plant. The plant, operated by Dominion, is near Surry, Va., 17 miles northwest of Newport News.

The meeting is scheduled for 5-7 p.m. in the lobby of the General District Courtroom at the Surry Government Center, 45 School St. in Surry. There will be posters explaining the NRC's role and the NRC staff will be available to answer questions on the safety performance of the plant last year.

"The NRC inspects nuclear plants and monitors their performance on an ongoing basis," said NRC Region II Administrator Victor McCree. "We issue inspection reports throughout the year and we hold these annual meetings near each plant to discuss our oversight and answer any questions local residents may have."

The NRC review concluded that the Surry plant operated in a manner that preserved public health and safety and protected the environment. There were no inspection findings or performance indicators at the Surry plant last year that would cause the NRC to increase its oversight. As a result of that performance, the NRC plans to continue to conduct the very detailed inspections required at those plants that are operating well.

A letter sent from the NRC Region II office to plant officials addresses the performance of the plant during 2012 and is available on the NRC website.

Current performance information for Surry Unit 1 and Unit 2 is available on the NRC website.