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NRC Schedules Meeting April 2 to Discuss Agency's Assessment of Sequoyah Nuclear Power Plant

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has scheduled a meeting for April 2 to discuss the agency's assessment of the Sequoyah nuclear power plant during 2013. The plant, operated by the Tennessee Valley Authority, is located near Soddy-Daisy, Tenn., about 18 miles northeast of Chattanooga.

The meeting, which is open to the public, is scheduled to begin at 3 p.m. in the Sequoyah Nuclear Plant Training Center Auditorium, 2440 Igou Ferry Road in Soddy-Daisy.

NRC staff members will make a brief presentation and be available to answer questions on the performance of the Sequoyah plant, as well as the overall NRC role in ensuring safe plant operations.

A <u>letter</u> sent from the NRC Region II office to plant officials addresses the performance of both Sequoyah units during 2013 and will serve as the basis for the discussion.

During the latter part of 2013, both Sequoyah units were subject to increased NRC oversight and inspection but NRC inspections found that TVA had appropriately addressed the issues resulting in that increased oversight. The plant will receive the NRC's normal detailed inspections in 2014.

"Our resident and region-based inspectors spend many hours monitoring plant activities to ensure that the plant operates safely," said NRC Region II Administrator Victor McCree. "We hold these meetings every year to make our staff available to people who live close to the plant and answer questions about our oversight."

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