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NRC Schedules Virtual Meeting to Discuss Performance of the Catawba, McGuire, and Oconee Nuclear Power Plants

Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will <u>discuss</u> the 2022 safety performance of the Catawba, McGuire, and Oconee nuclear power plants during a virtual meeting to be held April 17.

The event will begin at 6 p.m., Eastern time, led by the NRC staff responsible for conducting plant inspections. The public and the media can access the meeting via <u>Teams</u>. The telephone conference number for those without access to Teams is 301-576-2978, passcode 114102495#.

Duke Energy operates the three plants. The two-unit Catawba and three-unit Oconee plants are located in South Carolina, and the two-unit McGuire plant is in North Carolina.

NRC resident inspectors and other inspection specialists from the Region II office in Atlanta performed inspections at the three sites. They found that the Catawba, McGuire and Oconee plants operated safely during 2022. All three plants are currently under the NRC's normal level of oversight.

The NRC Reactor Oversight Process uses color-coded inspection findings and indicators to measure plant performance. The colors start at green and increase to white, yellow, or red, commensurate with the safety significance of the issues involved. Inspection findings or performance indicators with more than very low safety significance trigger increased NRC oversight.

The annual assessment letters for the Catawba plant, the McGuire plant and the Oconee plant, including upcoming inspection plans for the plants, are available on the NRC <u>website</u>. Current performance information for the plants is <u>available</u> and updated quarterly.