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NRC to Hold Public Meeting to Discuss 2022 Performance of Donald C. Cook Nuclear Power Plant

Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will discuss the 2022 safety performance of the Donald C. Cook nuclear power plant during an in-person public meeting scheduled for July 13. The two-unit plant, operated by Indiana Michigan Power Co., is located in Bridgman, Michigan.

The meeting will be held at 3 p.m. Eastern time at Silver Beach Carousel, 333 Broad St. in St. Joseph. NRC staff responsible for plant inspection and oversight, including the resident inspectors based fulltime at the site, will participate in the discussion.

The NRC determined that D.C. Cook operated safely during 2022. All inspection findings and performance indicators were "green," or very low safety significance. As a result, the plant remains under the NRC's baseline level of oversight, which entails thousands of hours of inspection each year.

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.

Plant inspections are performed by the two NRC onsite resident inspectors and specialist inspectors from the agency's Region III office in Lisle, Ill.

The annual assessment letter for D.C. Cook is available on the NRC website. Current performance for Unit 1 and Unit 2 is also available and updated on a quarterly basis.