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NRC Schedules Meetings to Discuss Agency's Assessment of Summer Nuclear Plant Unit 1 Operation and Units 2 and 3 Construction

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has scheduled an open house for March 27 to discuss the safety performance in 2013 of SCE&G's Summer nuclear station, near Jenkinsville, S.C., about 26 miles northwest of Columbia. A separate meeting will follow to explain inspection and oversight for the two new units that are under construction at the same site.

The open house will begin at 6 p.m. in the gymnasium at the McCrorey-Liston School of Technology, 1978 Monticello Rd. (State Highway 215 South), in Blair, S.C.

A [letter](#) sent from the NRC Region II office to plant officials addresses the performance of the operating unit during 2013 and will serve as the basis for the informal discussion.

The NRC found that the operating Summer unit met all NRC safety objectives in 2013. That performance means the plant will continue to receive the normal detailed NRC inspections this year.

“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 the Summer plant is available on the NRC website.

At the second public meeting, which is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m., the NRC staff will discuss the agency's assessment of the construction of the two new units in 2013. The NRC has two resident inspectors for the operating unit and three construction resident inspectors at the Summer site.

A [letter](#) sent from the NRC to plant officials addresses the oversight of the construction and will serve as the basis for the meeting presentation. The NRC staff found that the units were being constructed in a manner that protected public health and safety and met all regulatory objectives.

The NRC website has [additional information](#) on the NRC construction reactor oversight process.