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NRC Schedules Public Meeting April 23 in Erwin to Discuss NFS Safety Performance

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has scheduled a meeting with Nuclear Fuel Services in Erwin, Tenn., on April 23 to discuss the results of the company's licensee performance review.

The meeting will be held at 6 p.m. in the Erwin Town Hall, located at 211 N. Main Ave. The meeting will be open to members of the public and the news media. The NRC staff will provide a brief presentation on the company's performance, followed by a response from NFS. The NRC staff will then be available to answer questions about the agency's oversight and inspection of the facility.

The NRC staff assessed performance at NFS during a period beginning Jan. 1, 2013, and ending Dec. 31, 2014, in the areas of safety operations, radiological controls, facility support and licensing. Those evaluations will form the basis of the meeting discussion. The NRC staff review determined that NFS conducted its activities safely and securely, protecting the public and the environment.

The NRC will continue conducting its detailed normal inspection program at NFS after concluding earlier this year that facility performance had improved to a point where increased NRC oversight, which began in 2004, was no longer necessary.

"The NRC inspects NFS and other nuclear fuel facilities on an ongoing basis to monitor their performance," said NRC Region II Administrator Victor McCree, "Our inspection reports are publicly available and we also hold regular meetings like this one near each facility to discuss our oversight and answer local residents' questions."

A copy of the NRC review is available on the NRC website.