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NRC Schedules Open House to Discuss Annual Assessment of Turkey Point Nuclear Plant

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has scheduled an open house on Wednesday, March 30, to discuss the agency's assessment of the Turkey Point nuclear power plant during 2015.

The plant, operated by Florida Power & Light Co., is located about 25 miles south of Miami near Homestead, Fla.

The open house, which will include informational posters, is scheduled from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Courtyard by Marriott, 2905 NE 9th St., in Homestead.

NRC resident inspectors and other staff members will be available to answer questions on the safety performance and regulatory oversight of the Turkey Point plant, as well as highlights of NRC inspections.

"We invite the public to visit with us and find out what we're doing to ensure Turkey Point and other nuclear plants are operated safely," said NRC Region II Administrator Cathy Haney. "These annual meetings offer an opportunity for everyone, and especially people who live near the plant, to learn about our inspection and oversight programs."

The NRC's annual assessment <u>letter</u> to plant officials addressing 2015 Turkey Point plant performance will serve as the main focus of the open house, but NRC staff members will be available to answer other questions about the NRC's role at the plant.

The NRC review of the Turkey Point plant for 2015 concluded that it operated in a manner that preserved public health and safety and protected the environment. Because of that performance, it will continue to continue the detailed routine or baseline inspections this year that all nuclear power plants receive.

The NRC uses color-coded inspection findings and performance indicators to assess plant performance. The colors start with green, which has very low safety significance, and move to white, yellow or red, based on the significance of the issues. Inspection findings and performance indicators are updated on the NRC's website each quarter.

Current performance information for Turkey Point <u>Unit 3</u> and <u>Unit 4</u> is available on the NRC website.