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NRC to Hold Open House to Discuss 2018 Performance of Braidwood Station

Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will discuss the 2018 safety performance of the Braidwood nuclear power plant during an open house on July 2 in Braidwood, Ill.

The open house, to be held at the Braidwood City Hall, 141 W. Main St., will run from 4:15-5:15 p.m. NRC employees responsible for plant inspections, including the resident inspectors based full-time at the site, will be available to discuss the plant's performance.

The two-unit facility, operated by Exelon Generation Co., is located in Braceville, Ill., approximately 20 miles south-southwest of Joliet.

Braidwood operated safely during 2018. At the end of the year, all inspection findings and performance indicators were of very low safety significance. As a result, it remains under the NRC's normal 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.

Inspections are performed by two NRC resident inspectors and inspection specialists from the Region III office located in Lisle, Ill.

The <u>annual assessment letter</u> for Braidwood, as well as the <u>notice</u> for the open house, are available on the <u>NRC website</u>. Current performance information for <u>Unit 1</u> and <u>Unit 2</u> is also available.