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**NRC TO MEET WITH DUKE ENERGY ON JULY 8 TO DISCUSS NUCLEAR POWER
PLANT ICE CONDENSERS**

Status of Systems at McGuire and Catawba to Be Discussed

Officials from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and Duke Energy Corporation will meet in Atlanta on July 8 to discuss the status of the ice condenser safety system at the McGuire nuclear power plant in North Carolina and the Catawba nuclear power plant in South Carolina.

The meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. (EDT) in NRC offices on the 24th floor of the Atlanta Federal Center, located at 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. The meeting is open to observation by the public and media, and NRC officials will be available at its conclusion to answer questions from observers who attend.

Ice condensers are incorporated into some Westinghouse pressurized water reactor containment building designs. They are constructed so that steam released during an accident will be directed through borated ice where it is cooled and condensed. This serves to mitigate buildup of pressure on the containment building walls.

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