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CORRECTED RELEASE: FIRST MEETING AT 2 P.M. INSTEAD OF 3 P.M.

NRC OVERSIGHT PANEL TO HOLD TWO MEETINGS IN OAK HARBOR, OHIO, ON DAVIS-BESSE REACTOR VESSEL HEAD DAMAGE

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will hold two meetings on Tuesday, July 16, in Oak Harbor, Ohio, to review the status of activities at the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station as a result of the corrosion damage to the reactor vessel head. The plant, which has been shut down since February 15, is operated by FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company.

Both meetings will be at the Oak Harbor High School Auditorium, 11661 West State Route 163, in Oak Harbor.

The first meeting will be at 2 p.m. when the NRC oversight panel, set up to coordinate the agency's activities associated with the corrosion damage to the reactor vessel head, meets with utility officials to discuss the plans for replacement of the reactor vessel head and other activities under the utility's return-to-service plan. The public is invited to observe the business portion of the meeting and will have an opportunity to make comments and ask questions of the NRC staff before the meeting is adjourned.

The second meeting will be at 7 p.m. to update the public on NRC's activities related to the reactor vessel head degradation. The public will be encouraged to ask questions and make comments.

Transcripts will be prepared of both meetings and posted on the NRC's web site.

The NRC oversight panel, created on April 29, includes NRC management and staff from its Region III office in Lisle, Illinois, the NRC Headquarters office in Rockville, Maryland, and the NRC Resident Inspector Office at the Davis-Besse site.

Documents on the Davis-Besse corrosion issue, including meeting transcripts and further details on NRC's oversight panel activities, are posted on the NRC's web site at:
<http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/operating/ops-experience/vessel-head-degradation.html>.

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