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NRC TO MEET WITH SCE&G OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS SAFETY PERFORMANCE AT SUMMER NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will meet with South Carolina Electric & Gas Company officials on Wednesday, March 24, to discuss the results of NRC's annual assessment of safety performance at the Summer nuclear power plant near Jenkinsville, South Carolina.

The meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. in the Summer Nuclear Training Center auditorium near the plant site. The public is invited to observe the meeting, and NRC officials will be available before the conclusion of the meeting to answer any questions.

The NRC found that the Summer plant was operated safely during the previous year and met all the safety objectives in the NRC's oversight program. Based on that performance, the NRC staff plans to conduct only the routine inspections at the Summer plant through September 2005. However, the NRC does plan to conduct one additional inspection of the plant's spent fuel material control and accounting.

The NRC will also continue to conduct inspections of the plant's implementation of NRC security Orders, along with any newly developed portions of the security program.

The letter describing Summer plant safety performance is available from Region II Public Affairs and on the NRC web site at www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/ASSESS/LETTERS/sum_2003q4.pdf.

Current NRC performance indicators for the Summer plant are available at www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/ASSESS/SUM/sum_chart.html.

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