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NRC TO DISCUSS 2007 PERFORMANCE OF NORTH ANNA NUCLEAR POWER STATION

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has scheduled a meeting for Monday, March 24, with representatives of Dominion to discuss the agency's assessment of safety performance during 2007 at the North Anna Nuclear Power Station. The plant, operated by Dominion, is near the town of Mineral, Va., about 40 miles northwest of Richmond.

The meeting, which will be open to the public, is scheduled to begin at 3:00 p.m. in the plant's Nuclear Information Center, 1022 Haley Drive in Mineral.

After the formal presentation, NRC staff will be available to answer questions from the public on the safety performance of North Anna, as well as the NRC's role in ensuring safe plant operation.

"The NRC continually inspects and reviews the performance of North Anna and all commercial nuclear plants, issuing inspection reports throughout the year and an overall assessment at year's end," NRC Region II Administrator Victor McCree said. "This meeting is an opportunity to discuss that annual assessment with the company, local officials and people near the plant, and to answer any questions they may have."

A letter sent from the NRC Region II office to plant officials addresses the performance of the plant during 2007 and will serve as the basis for the meeting discussion. It is available on the NRC web site at: www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/ASSESS/LETTERS/na_2007q4.pdf.

The NRC found that North Anna's 2007 performance met all NRC safety objectives and with the exception of some generic inspections, the agency plans only routine or baseline inspections at the plant in 2008.

Current performance information for North Anna Unit 1 is available on the NRC web site at: www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/ASSESS/NA1/na1_chart.html. Current performance information for Unit 2 is at: www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/ASSESS/NA2/na2_chart.html.

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