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## **NRC SCHEDULES OPEN HOUSE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS ON 2008 PERFORMANCE OF SURRY NUCLEAR POWER PLANT**

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has scheduled an open house for Monday, April 6, and will be available to discuss and answer questions about the agency's assessment of safety performance during 2008 at the Surry nuclear power plant. The plant, operated by Dominion, is near the town of Surry in southeast Virginia, about 17 miles northwest of Newport News.

The open house is informal and scheduled to run from 6-8 p.m. in the Surry Government Center's Juvenile and Domestic Relations Courtroom, 45 School Street in Surry.

NRC staff will be available to answer questions on the safety performance of the Surry plant, as well as the NRC role in ensuring safe plant operation.

"Throughout the year, we inspect and review the performance of the Surry plant and all commercial nuclear plants," NRC Region II Administrator Luis Reyes said. "We issue several inspection reports during the year and an overall annual assessment. This open house allows us to discuss that assessment with local officials and people near the plant, and 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 2008. It is available on the NRC web site at:  
[www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/ASSESS/LETTERS/sur\\_2008q4.pdf](http://www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/ASSESS/LETTERS/sur_2008q4.pdf).

The NRC found that Surry's 2008 performance met all NRC safety objectives. This year, the NRC plans to continue conducting the very detailed inspections required at those plants operating well. In addition, the agency will complete some generic inspections, such as spent fuel storage and operator licensing exams, at the Surry plant in 2009.

Current performance information for Surry Unit 1 is available on the NRC web site at: [www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/ASSESS/SUR1/sur1\\_chart.html](http://www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/ASSESS/SUR1/sur1_chart.html). Current performance information for Unit 2 is at: [www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/ASSESS/SUR2/sur2\\_chart.html](http://www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/ASSESS/SUR2/sur2_chart.html).

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