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NRC SCHEDULES REGULATORY CONFERENCE TO DISCUSS APPARENT CONSTRUCTION VIOLATION AT NEW SUMMER NUCLEAR UNITS

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has scheduled a regulatory conference with South Carolina Electric & Gas to discuss the risk significance of an apparent violation related to the anchorage and spacing of rebar being used to reinforce concrete in the new units of the V.C. Summer nuclear station.

Units 2 and 3 at Summer are being built by SCE&G near Jenkinsville, S.C., about 26 miles northwest of Columbia. Unit 1 has been in operation at the site since 1982.

The conference is scheduled for April 30 at 9:30 a.m. in the NRC's Region II office, located at 245 Peachtree Center Ave., NE, Suite 1200, in Atlanta. The public is invited to attend and NRC officials will be available to answer questions after the business portion of the meeting.

SCE&G and NRC officials will discuss the safety significance of an inspection finding and apparent violation at the new Summer units. The NRC inspectors found that the anchorage and spacing of the rebar in the floor and walls of the unit did not comply with code requirements. The violation has been preliminarily classified as white, meaning it has low to moderate safety significance.

The NRC uses color-coded inspection findings to assess construction performance. The colors start with green, and escalate to white, yellow or red, based on the significance of the issues. Inspection findings are updated on the NRC's [website](http://www.nrc.gov) each quarter.

No decision on the final safety significance or any possible enforcement action will be made at the conference. Those decisions will be made and the results will be announced by NRC officials at a later time.

The NRC inspection [report](#) for the issue at Summer can be found on the NRC website.

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