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NRC to Hold Open House to Discuss Peach Bottom Power Plant 2017 Safety Performance

Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will discuss the 2017 safety performance of the Peach Bottom nuclear power plant, operated by Exelon, during an open house on May 24 in Holtwood, Pa.

The open house, which will be held at the Muddy Run Visitor Center, 172 Bethesda Church Road West, will held 5:30-7 p.m. NRC staff responsible for inspections, including the resident inspectors assigned to Peach Bottom on a full-time basis, will be available to discuss the plant's performance.

Peach Bottom operated safely during 2017. At the end of last year, all inspection findings and performance indicators for the plant were green, or of very low safety significance. As a result, the plant will receive the normal level of oversight in 2018, which entails thousands of hours of inspection each year.

The NRC Reactor Oversight Process uses color-coded inspection findings and indicators to describe plant performance. The colors start at green and increase to white, yellow or red, commensurate with the safety significance of the issues involved. Inspection findings or performance indicators with more than very low safety significance trigger increased NRC oversight.

Inspections are performed by two NRC resident inspectors and inspection specialists from the agency's Region I Office in King of Prussia, Pa.

The <u>annual assessment letter</u>, as well as the <u>notice</u> for the open house, are available on the NRC <u>website</u>. Current plant performance information for Peach Bottom <u>Unit 2</u> and <u>Unit 3</u> is also available.