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NRC INSPECTION TEAMS TO MEET WITH ILLINOIS POWER OFFICIALS
TO DISCUSS PRELIMINARY FINDINGS OF INSPECTIONS AT CLINTON PLANT

Two Nuclear Regulatory Commission inspection teams will meet Friday, October 4, with representatives of Illinois Power Company to discuss the preliminary findings of their inspections at the Clinton Nuclear Power Station.

The meeting, which is open to public observation, will be at 10:30 a.m. in the Energy and Environmental Center at the Clinton Power Station, Route 54, east of Clinton, Illinois.

Following the meeting, NRC Regional Administrator A. Bill Beach will be available to respond to news media inquiries about the Clinton findings and other NRC activities.

The first special inspection focused on the decisions and actions of Illinois Power personnel as they attempted to control the increasing leakage through a recirculation pump seal. Leakage, however, remained above the NRC Technical Specifications limit, and the plant was shut down on September 6.

The second team inspection looked more broadly at plant activities, including observations of plant operations, maintenance, and surveillance testing; reviews of procedures; and monitoring of training.

The two teams will issue written reports several weeks after the completion of the inspections.

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