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## NRC UNVEILS NEW WEB DESIGN THAT ENHANCES USABILITY AND ADDS NEW FEATURES

A redesign of the NRC's public website was formally unveiled today following comprehensive testing over the weekend to ensure that all new features work as intended. This is the first significant Web update since 2001.

"This newly redesigned website reflects the agency's dedication to using new technology to improve openness, transparency, and public outreach," said Chairman Gregory B. Jaczko. "The new design includes upgrades and changes suggested by the public through online surveys, interviews, and focus groups held around the country."

The redesign improves navigation, content, and accessibility – all of which allow users to locate information quickly and easily. It employs best practices in Web design and includes features allowing users to be notified of updated content. The redesign also includes an updated Facility Locator that uses Google maps and leads easily to facility-specific information.

The redesign also features the following additions and enhancements:

- "Reporting a Safety Concern" is prominently located on the home page;
- Rotating slides on the home page highlight major areas of interest;
- A new interactive calendar allows quick access to the latest NRC public meetings;
- A new "Spotlight" replaces the Key Topics on the home page, and now is available on each page of the site;
- Consistent navigation in the header and footer areas aids users in moving through the site; and
- A scrolling Emergency Alert banner is activated when necessary.

Visitors are encouraged to provide feedback on the redesign by posting a comment on the NRC Blog: <http://public-blog.nrc-gateway.gov/>.

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