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NRC, ENTERGY TO DISCUSS LICENSE RENEWAL INSPECTION CONDUCTED AT JAMES A. FITZPATRICK NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

The results of a Nuclear Regulatory Commission inspection of the aging management program for the James A. FitzPatrick nuclear power plant will be discussed on Thursday, June 21, at a meeting between NRC officials and the facility's management. The inspection is part of an ongoing NRC review of a license renewal application for the plant, which is located in Scriba, N.Y., and operated by Entergy Nuclear Northeast.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m. at the plant's Joint News Center, located at the Oswego County Airport, on Route 176 in Fulton, N.Y. Members of the public are invited to observe and will have an opportunity to pose questions to NRC officials before the meeting is adjourned.

In August 2006, Entergy applied to the NRC for a 20-year extension of the operating license for the FitzPatrick plant. NRC reviews of license renewal applications usually take 22 months if there is no hearing involved. An important aspect of the review process is to ensure that a plant can manage the effects of aging on key safety systems, structures and components through an effective monitoring and maintenance program.

The current operating license for the FitzPatrick plant is due to expire on Oct. 17, 2014.

A copy of the plant's license renewal application is available via the NRC's web site at: <http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/operating/licensing/renewal/applications/fitzpatrick.html>. Additional information about the license renewal process is available at: www.nrc.gov/reactors/operating/licensing/renewal.html.

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