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NOTE TO EDITORS: TELEPHONE ACCESS FOR SEPT. 18 DAVIS-BESSE MEETING

The September 18 meeting between the Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff and FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Co. officials, being held at the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station, will be accessible by teleconference.

This meeting was previously announced in NRC News Release No. III-02-050. The two other meetings on September 17, covered in that announcement, will not be available by teleconference because of the communications capabilities of the high school auditorium where the meetings are being held. The meetings are open to the public.

The September 18 meeting is scheduled for 9 a.m. (EDT) at Davis-Besse's Energy Education Center, 5501 North State Route 2, near Oak Harbor, Ohio. The public is invited to observe the business portion of the meeting and will have an opportunity to make comments and ask questions of the NRC staff before the meeting is adjourned.

The NRC is making telephone bridge lines available to members of the public who cannot attend. To access the conference, call toll-free (877) 601-4713 and provide the operator with pass code "Davis Besse."

The meeting will focus on the utility's proposed corrective action plans to address management, organizational effectiveness and human performance issues that were discussed during the August 15 public meeting in Lisle, Illinois, as the root causes that are believed to have led to the degradation of the reactor pressure vessel head.