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NRC OVERSIGHT PANEL TO MEET WITH FIRSTENERGY IN LISLE, IL, TO DISCUSS THE SYSTEMS HEALTH ASSURANCE PLAN AT DAVIS-BESSE

The NRC's oversight panel, set up to coordinate the agency's activities associated with the reactor vessel head degradation at the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station, will meet with FirstEnergy officials on Monday, December 23, to discuss the utility's review of plant safety systems. The plant, which has been shut down since February 16, is located in Oak Harbor, Ohio.

The meeting will be held at 9 a.m. CST at the NRC's Region III office, 801 Warrenville Road, in Lisle, Illinois. Visitors should report first to the Second Floor reception area. 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.

Interested individuals unable to attend may listen to the meeting via telephone by calling: (877) 546-1567 and entering pass code xxx at the prompt. One hundred phone lines will be available. Arrangements are also being made to make the meeting available for viewing by video conference at the NRC's Headquarters Office, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Room O-3 B4, Rockville, Maryland.

The meeting will focus on licensee's proposed actions to address findings identified by the utility and the NRC in the areas of plant system design and system functionality reviews.

The NRC oversight panel, created on April 29, includes NRC management and staff from its Region III office in Lisle, Illinois; the NRC Headquarters office in Rockville, Maryland; and the NRC Resident Inspector Office at the Davis-Besse site.

Documents on the Davis-Besse corrosion issue, including further details on NRC's oversight panel activities, are posted on the NRC's web site at: http://www.nrc.gov. Select "Davis-Besse" from the Key Topics menu.

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