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NRC TO MEET WITH NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT TO DISCUSS FIRST QUARTERLY INSPECTION FINDINGS AT COOPER NUCLEAR STATION

Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will meet with representatives of Nebraska Public Power District on Wednesday, March 26, to present the NRC's findings resulting from the first quarterly inspection of Cooper Nuclear Station associated with the Confirmatory Action Letter (CAL) issued on January 30, 2003.

The meeting, which will be open to the public for observation, is scheduled to begin at 7:00 p.m. at Brownville Concert Hall, Atlantic Avenue and Second Street, Brownville, Neb., 68321. Before the session is adjourned, NRC staff will be available to answer questions from the public on results of the first quarterly inspection of Cooper, the safety performance of the plant, and the role of the NRC in ensuring safe plant operation.

Since April 2002, Cooper has been in the multiple/degraded cornerstone category of the NRC's performance assessment matrix because of problems with its emergency preparedness program. The CAL describes steps Nebraska Public Power District officials plan to take to improve plant performance, which are subject to quarterly NRC inspections.

The CAL can be found in the agency's electronic document system (ADAMS), which can be accessed through the NRC's web site at www.nrc.gov. Help in using ADAMS is available by contacting the NRC Public Document Room at (301) 415-4737 or 1-800-397-4209.

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