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NRC TO HOLD OPEN HOUSE TO DISCUSS 2010 PERFORMANCE OF ARKANSAS NUCLEAR ONE

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will hold an open house in Russellville, Ark., on May 4, to provide information on the agency's 2010 assessment of the safety performance for the Arkansas Nuclear One nuclear plant. The plant, located in Russellville, is operated by Entergy Operations, Inc.

The open house will begin at 6 p.m. at the Lake Point Conference Center, 61 Lake Point Lane, Russellville, Ark. There will be no formal presentation by NRC at the open house. Members of the public will have an opportunity to meet informally with the NRC staff, ask questions and learn about the agency's role in ensuring safe plant operation.

"The NRC continually reviews the performance of Arkansas Nuclear One and the nation's other commercial nuclear power facilities," NRC Region IV Administrator Elmo E. Collins said. "This informal meeting will provide members of the public with an opportunity to learn about our annual assessment of safety performance at the plant."

The NRC said Arkansas One operated safely during 2010 and will receive the detailed inspection regime during 2011 that is used by the NRC for plants that are operating well. These inspections are performed by NRC Resident Inspectors assigned to the plant and by inspection specialists from the Region IV Office in Arlington, Texas.

A letter sent from the NRC Region IV office to plant officials addresses the performance of the plant during 2010 and will serve as the basis for the meeting discussion. It is available on the NRC web site at: http://www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/ASSESS/LETTERS/ano_2010q4.pdf.

Current performance information for Arkansas Nuclear One Unit 1 is available on the NRC web site at: http://www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/ASSESS/ANO1/ano1_chart.html.

Current performance information for Unit 2 is available at:
http://www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/ASSESS/ANO2/ano2_chart.html.

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