NRC TO MEET WITH DOMINION SEPT. 8 TO DISCUSS ONGOING POST-EARTHQUAKE ACTIONS AT NORTH ANNA NUCLEAR POWER STATION

Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will meet with Dominion officials on Thursday, Sept. 8, at NRC Headquarters in Rockville, Md., to discuss the latest information on the company’s North Anna nuclear power plant after the Aug. 23 earthquake near the plant.

The meeting will be held in the Commissioners’ Conference Room, on the first floor of the One White Flint North building, 11555 Rockville Pike in Rockville, from 1–5 p.m. The meeting can be viewed online via the Live NRC Meeting page. Dominion is expected to discuss its latest analysis of ground motion at the North Anna site, which is located about 12 miles from the earthquake’s epicenter near Louisa, Va. The company is also expected to describe the next steps in determining whether the plant meets NRC requirements to restart.

The two-reactor North Anna plant shut down safely following the quake, with both units operating as designed. Ongoing analysis by both the NRC and Dominion indicates the earthquake may have subjected the plant to more ground movement than specified in the plants’ designs. An NRC Augmented Inspection Team has been at North Anna for the past week and plans to continue its work through next week. When the team completes its inspection, the NRC will hold a meeting in the North Anna area to discuss preliminary results, and a final report is expected by the middle of October.

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