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NRC Schedules April 9 Meeting in Richland to Discuss AREVA Fuel Facility

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has scheduled a public meeting in Richland, Wash., for April 9 to discuss the agency's recent review of AREVA NP Inc.'s nuclear fuel manufacturing facility located in Richland.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 3 p.m. in the Gallery of the Richland Public Library, 955 Northgate Drive in Richland. The NRC staff will discuss with company officials the results of the agency's review of safety performance at the plant from Jan. 1, 2012 through Dec. 31, 2013. The discussion will include the areas of safety operations, radiological controls, facility support and other areas.

“Although we only do this overall review of the facility's performance every two years, our inspectors make frequent trips to the facility and have ongoing discussions with the company's management,” said NRC Region II Administrator Victor McCree. “Those interactions help ensure safe facility operation that protects employees, people living nearby and the environment.”

In its review, the NRC found no areas needing improvement, so the agency will continue the normal level of inspection required for a facility of this type.

The meeting will be open to the public and media, and NRC officials will be available to answer questions after the business portion of the meeting.

A copy of the NRC [review](#) is available on the NRC website.