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## NRC to Conduct Webinar on Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> on Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Plant Decommissioning Topics

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will present a webinar for interested members of the public on Thursday, Feb. 5, regarding the decommissioning of the Vermont Yankee nuclear power plant. The purpose of the webinar is to provide key facts about the decommissioning process and how the NRC regulates such activities through on-site inspections and other reviews.

"There has been considerable interest in Vermont and neighboring states about how the decommissioning process will work. Our hope is that this webinar will serve as a primer so that those interested in this topic can learn more," said Dan Dorman, Administrator of the NRC's Region I Office, which is located in King of Prussia, Pa., and oversees inspections at nuclear power plants in the northeastern United States.

The webinar will begin at 3 p.m. Participants will be able to view slides prepared by NRC staff and ask questions in writing via a web page set up to host the session. Online <u>registration</u> is required to take part.

The NRC will also hold a public meeting in Brattleboro, Vt., on Feb. 19 to discuss and accept public comments on the Post-Shutdown Decommissioning Activities Report for Vermont Yankee submitted by Entergy. A copy of the report can be found on the NRC website.

Vermont Yankee is located in Vernon, Vt. It is owned and operated by Entergy. The company announced on Aug. 27, 2013, that it planned to permanently shut down the single-unit plant as of the end of 2014. The boiling-water reactor permanently ceased operations on Dec. 29, 2014.