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NRC Schedules Open House to Discuss Agency's 2015 Assessment of North Anna Nuclear Station

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has scheduled an open house for Thursday, April 14, to discuss the agency's assessment of the North Anna nuclear plant's two units during 2015.

The plant, which is operated by Dominion, is located near Mineral, 40 miles northwest of Richmond.

The open house, which will include informational posters, is scheduled from 5 - 6 p.m. in the Louisa County Library, 881 Davis Highway, Mineral, Va.

NRC resident inspectors and other staff members will be available to answer questions on the safety performance and regulatory oversight of the North Anna plant, as well as highlights of NRC inspections.

"We invite the public to visit with us and find out what we're doing to ensure North Anna and other nuclear plants are operated safely," said NRC Region II Administrator Cathy Haney. "These annual meetings offer an opportunity for everyone, and especially people who live near the plant, to learn about our inspection and oversight programs."

The NRC's annual [assessment letter](#) to plant officials addressing the 2015 North Anna plant performance will serve as the main focus of the open house, but NRC staff members will be available to answer other questions about the NRC's role at the plant.

The NRC review concluded that North Anna Units 1 and 2 operated in a manner that preserved public health and safety and protected the environment. Because of that performance, the plant will continue to receive the detailed routine or baseline inspections this year that all nuclear power plants receive.

The NRC uses color-coded inspection findings and performance indicators to assess plant performance. The colors start with green, which has very low safety significance, and then progress to white, yellow or red, based on the significance of the issues. All inspection findings and performance indicators for North Anna were green in 2015.

Current performance information for both North Anna [Unit 1](#) and [Unit 2](#), as well as more detailed information about NRC inspection and oversight, is available on the [NRC website](#). Plant performance indicators and inspection reports are updated at least quarterly.