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NRC to Discuss 2016 Performance at Millstone Station
Meeting with Connecticut Nuclear Energy Advisory Council

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will meet with the Connecticut Nuclear Energy Advisory Council (NEAC) on March 22, 2017, to discuss the agency's annual review of safety performance at the Millstone nuclear power plant. The plant, located in Waterford, Conn., is operated by Dominion Nuclear.

The meeting will begin at 6 p.m., at the Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road, in Waterford. Prior to the meeting's adjournment, members of the public will have an opportunity to ask questions of the NRC staff.

The NRC assesses plant performance through the use of inspection findings and performance indicators that trigger additional regulatory oversight, if needed. Overall, the plant operated safely in 2016.

"By assessing each plant's performance, we are able to assure we focus our inspection resources on those areas most in need of attention," said NRC Region I Administrator Dan Dorman. "Because Millstone did not have any safety or security issues above very low safety significance in 2016, we are planning our baseline level of inspection activities at both of the units."

The NRC's standard level of oversight at each U.S. nuclear power plant involves thousands of hours of inspection. In 2016, the agency devoted about 9,900 hours of inspection and review at Millstone 2 and 3.

The NRC's annual assessment letter to Dominion addressing 2016 Millstone plant performance will serve as the main focus of the discussion with NEAC, but NRC staff members also will be available to answer questions about the agency's oversight of the plant.

Current performance information for Millstone 2 and 3, as well as more detailed information about NRC inspection and oversight, is available at the NRC's website. Inspection reports and specific plant performance indicators for Unit 2 and Unit 3 are updated at least quarterly.