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NRC Schedules Webinar to Discuss Safety Performance of American Centrifuge Lead Cascade Facility

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has scheduled a webinar with management of American Centrifuge Operating, LLC's Lead Cascade facility in Piketon, Ohio, on April 24, to discuss the results of the agency's licensee performance review of the company's nuclear fuel enrichment demonstration plant.

The webinar will begin at 1 p.m. EDT with NRC officials participating from the agency's regional office in Atlanta and American Centrifuge officials at their facility in Piketon. The meeting can be accessed by the public and the media, and NRC officials will be available to answer questions following the formal presentation.

The NRC staff assessed performance at the Lead Cascade facility during a period beginning Jan. 1, 2015, and ending Dec. 31, 2016, in the categories of safety operations, radiological controls, facility support and other areas. The NRC also assesses security, but it will not be discussed during the webinar due to the sensitive nature of the information.

The staff review determined that the facility continued to conduct its activities safely and securely, protecting public health and the environment. Because the NRC review found that none of the program areas at the Lead Cascade facility needed improvement, the agency will continue to implement a modified core inspection program due to limited operational activities at the facility until it is transitioned to the decommissioning inspection program.

A copy of the [NRC letter](#) to the company regarding the performance review is publicly available on the [NRC website](#). For information on how to access the webinar, see signup information in [the meeting notice](#) or contact Leonard Pitts at 404-997-4708 or leonard.pitts@nrc.gov.