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NRC Will Hold an Open House on River Bend Nuclear Plant Performance

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will hold an open house May 4 to discuss the agency's assessment of the River Bend nuclear power plant's 2016 safety performance. The plant is located in St. Francisville, La.

NRC staff will be on hand from 4-6 p.m. at the Americana YMCA Meeting Room, 4200 Liberty Way in Zachary, La. While there are no formal presentations during the open house, the public will have an opportunity to ask about NRC's assessment of the plant's performance in 2016 and the agency's oversight plans for 2017. Among the NRC staff in attendance will be the resident inspectors assigned to the plant on a full-time basis.

NRC assesses plant performance through the use of inspection findings and other indicators that can trigger additional regulatory oversight if needed. Overall, River Bend operated safely during 2016 and will receive the agency's rigorous baseline level of inspection.

Inspections are performed by two NRC resident inspectors assigned to the plant and by specialist inspectors from the Region IV office in Arlington, Texas, and the agency's headquarters in Rockville, Md.

A [letter](#) sent from the NRC Region IV office to plant officials addresses the performance of the plant during 2016. Current performance information for the plant can be found on the NRC [website](#).