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NRC to Hold Public Meeting to Discuss 2016 Performance of Seabrook Nuclear Power Plant

Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will discuss the 2016 safety performance of the Seabrook nuclear power plant, which is operated by NextEra, during a public meeting on June 7 in Hampton, N.H.

The meeting will begin at 6 p.m., at the Best Western Plus – The Inn at Hampton, 815 Lafayette Road. On hand to discuss the plant’s performance and the NRC’s oversight of the facility will be agency employees responsible for inspections of the plant, including the resident inspectors based at the site on a full-time basis.

Seabrook operated safely during 2016. At the end of last year, the plant had no inspection findings or performance indicators outside the normal range. As a result, it is currently under the NRC’s baseline level of oversight, which entails thousands of hours of inspection each year.

“In addition to our usual regimen of reviews, which cover such areas as emergency preparedness and the storage of spent nuclear fuel, we will continue to provide focused oversight of concrete degradation issues at Seabrook,” said NRC Region I Administrator Dan Dorman. “We will be prepared to address the status of those evaluations as well as other inspection-related topics at the June public meeting.”

The NRC’s Reactor Oversight Process uses color-coded inspection findings and performance indicators to measure plant performance. Any inspection findings or performance indicators that have more than very low safety significance trigger increased NRC oversight.

Day-to-day inspections are performed by two resident inspectors assigned to the plant. Reviews are also carried out at the sites by specialist inspectors assigned to the agency’s Region I Office in King of Prussia, Pa.

The [Annual Assessment letter](#) for Seabrook, as well as the [notice](#) for the public meeting, are available on the NRC website. [Current performance information](#) is also available for the plant.