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NRC to Conduct Open House to Discuss 2016 Performance of Fermi Nuclear Power Plant

Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will be available to discuss the 2016 safety performance of the Fermi nuclear power plant operated by DTE Electric, during an open house planned for July 10, in Monroe, Mich. The single-unit plant is located in Newport, Mich., about 25 miles northeast of Toledo, Ohio.

The open house will be held from 6-8 p.m. at the Monroe County Board of Commissioners' Chambers, County Courthouse, 125 E. Second St., in Monroe. 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.

The Fermi plant operated safely during 2016. All inspection findings for the plant last year were green and there were no performance indicators outside the normal band. However, on May 11, 2017, the NRC finalized a white (low to moderate safety significance) [inspection finding](#) that resulted in an increase in oversight. The finding involved an inaccurately installed radiation monitor that would have provided erroneously high readings during an event.

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 III office in Lisle, Ill.

The [annual assessment letter](#) for Fermi, as well as the [notice for the meeting](#), are available on the [NRC website](#). Current [plant performance](#) information is also available.