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

Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will be available to discuss the 2016 safety performance of the Point Beach nuclear plant operated by NextEra Energy Point Beach, LLC, during an open house planned for July 11. The two-unit plant is located in Two Rivers, Wis., about 13 miles north of Manitowoc, Wis.

The open house will be held from 5-7 p.m. at the Lester Public Library, 1001 Adams St., in Two Rivers. 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 Point Beach plant operated safely during 2016. At the end of the year, all inspection findings and performance indicators were green, or of very low safety significance. As a result, it is currently under the NRC's normal level of oversight, which entails thousands of hours of inspection each year.

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 site by specialist inspectors assigned to the agency's Region III office in Lisle, Ill.

The <u>annual assessment letter</u> for Point Beach, as well as the <u>notice for the meeting</u>, are available on the <u>NRC website</u>. Current plant performance information for <u>Unit 1</u> and <u>Unit 2</u> is also available.