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NRC Schedules Open House to Discuss Safety Performance of NFS Erwin Facility

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has scheduled an open house for May 16 to discuss the oversight and inspection of the Nuclear Fuel Services facility in Erwin, Tenn., highlighted by the results of an NRC regulatory safety performance review.

The open house is scheduled to run from 6-7:30 p.m. in the Erwin Town Hall, 211 North Main Avenue in Erwin. NRC employees responsible for the inspection of NFS will be available at the open house to answer questions or provide additional information. Posters covering the agency's inspections and the review of the facility's operations will be available.

The open house format is designed to allow more interaction with the NRC staff and better facilitate one-on-one and small group discussions. It also gives more time flexibility for nearby residents and others who may wish to attend.

The NRC assessed performance at the NFS facility for the period beginning Jan. 1, 2017, and ending Dec. 31, 2018, in the categories of safety operations, radiological controls, facility support, and other areas. The NRC also assesses security, which will not be discussed during the open house due to the sensitive nature of the information.

The staff review determined that NFS continued to operate the facility safely and met NRC requirements for the protection of workers, nearby residents and the environment. Because the NRC review found that none of the program areas at NFS needed improvement, the agency will continue the normal inspection program for NRC-licensed nuclear fuel facilities of this type.

The [NRC letter](#) discussing the licensee performance review for the NFS facility is available on the NRC [website](#).