NRC Schedules Virtual Public Meeting to Discuss
Three TVA Nuclear Power Plants 2021 Safety Performance

Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will discuss the 2021 safety performance for the Tennessee Valley Authority’s Browns Ferry, Sequoyah, and Watts Bar nuclear power plants during a virtual public meeting scheduled for April 12.

The three-unit Browns Ferry plant is located in northern Alabama, and the Sequoyah and Watts Bar plants, both of which have two units, are located in eastern Tennessee.

The online session will start at 5 p.m., Eastern time, via Microsoft Teams. It will begin with a short presentation from the NRC employees responsible for inspecting the three plants, including the resident inspectors based at the sites, followed by a question-and-answer session.

Members of the public without access to the internet can listen to the meeting via telephone by calling 301-576-2978, passcode 350642610#. Telephone participants will need to press *6 to unmute their phones to ask the NRC staff questions during that part of the meeting.

The NRC determined that the Browns Ferry, Sequoyah, and Watts Bar nuclear power plants operated safely during 2021 and all three plants are currently under the NRC’s normal level of oversight.

The NRC Reactor Oversight Process uses color-coded inspection findings and indicators to measure plant performance. The colors start at green and increase to white, yellow or red, commensurate with the safety significance of the issues involved. Inspection findings or performance indicators with more than very low safety significance trigger increased NRC oversight.

Inspections at the Browns Ferry, Sequoyah, and Watts Bar plants are performed by NRC resident inspectors and other inspection specialists from the NRC Region II office in Atlanta.

The annual assessment letters for the Browns Ferry, Sequoyah, and Watts Bar plants and the meeting notice are available on the NRC website. Current performance information for the sites is available and updated quarterly.