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NRC to Hold Webinar to Discuss 2021 Performance for Monticello and Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plants

Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will discuss the 2021 safety performance of two nuclear power plants located in Minnesota during a webinar scheduled for May 3.

The Monticello and Prairie Island nuclear power plants are operated by Northern States Power Company-Minnesota.

The webinar will begin at 5 p.m. Central time. The public will be able to participate by [connecting online](#). There is also an option to call in to the meeting. The number is 301-576-2978, conference ID 970333707#. The [meeting notice](#) as instructions on participation.

The NRC determined Monticello and Prairie Island nuclear power plants operated safely during 2021. All inspection findings and performance indicators were green or very low safety significance. As a result, Monticello and Prairie Island remain under the NRC's normal level of oversight. This oversight entails thousands of hours of inspection each year.

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 are performed by two NRC resident inspectors assigned to each plant and specialist inspectors from the Region III Office in Lisle, Illinois.

The annual assessment letters for [Monticello](#) and [Prairie Island](#), are available on the [NRC website](#). [Current performance](#) information for the plants is also available and is updated on a quarterly basis.