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SUBJECT: CALENDAR YEAR 2026 INSPECTION SCHEDULE FOLLOWING
REVISIONS TO THE REACTOR OVERSIGHT PROCESS (ROP)

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide the updated inspection schedule for the commercial nuclear reactor fleet for the remainder of calendar year (CY) 2026 and to outline key considerations associated with implementation of the revised Reactor Oversight Process (ROP), which becomes effective on July 1, 2026. In addition to transmitting the updated inspection plans and their associated ADAMS accession numbers, this memorandum also describes several factors that will shape execution of the modernized ROP during CY 2026, including continued communication with stakeholders, anticipated impacts from the agency's ongoing reorganization efforts, and the self-assessments and effectiveness reviews that will be performed in accordance with Commission direction. Together, these elements provide the context needed for NRC staff and licensees to apply the updated inspection plans in a predictable, integrated, and well-coordinated manner.

In accordance with Section 507 of the ADVANCE Act and Executive Order 14300, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has completed several significant updates to the ROP baseline inspection program as part of broader ROP modernization initiatives. The revisions were approved by the commission and are documented in SRM-SECY-26-0014, "Recommendations to Revise the Reactor Oversight Process Baseline Inspection Program" ([ML26084A403](#)), SRM-SECY-26-0015, "Recommendations for Revising the Security Baseline Inspection Program Including the Force-on-Force Inspection Program" ([ML26092A381](#)), and SRM-SECY-25-0045, "Recommendations for Revising the Reactor Oversight Process" ([ML26026A351](#)).

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The revisions reflected in these SRMs constitute the most significant changes to the baseline inspection program in more than a decade and were developed to enhance clarity, streamline program execution, modernize program structure, and maintain a risk-informed approach to oversight.

Notable changes to the baseline inspection program include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Transition of the Problem Identification and Resolution (PI&R) team inspection from a biennial to a triennial frequency
- Consolidation of multiple engineering team inspections into a single triennial engineering inspection
- Retirement or consolidation of selected baseline inspection procedures to reduce redundancies and improve efficiency

To facilitate consistent implementation of these changes across all regions and licensees, the NRC staff developed and issued detailed transition guidance, documented in “Transition to the Revised Reactor Oversight Process” ([ML26110A113](#)). The updated inspection plans for the remainder of CY2026 were prepared in accordance with this guidance and incorporate all applicable revisions. Both NRC staff and licensees should rely on the updated plans to validate inspection timing, ensure proper sequencing of activities, and confirm the integration of revised ROP requirements. This includes continued execution of the Force-on-Force inspection program, implementation of the adjusted engineering inspection structure, and adherence to new triennial frequencies for applicable team inspections.

Regional offices will maintain direct coordination with licensees to support implementation of the updated inspection schedule. This coordination will address resource planning and any necessary adjustments resulting from the transition to the revised ROP. Ensuring clear communication during this transition period is essential to maintaining predictable oversight and achieving timely completion of inspection activities for CY2026.

Implementation of the updated inspection schedule will occur alongside the agency’s ongoing reorganization effort. The NRC is undertaking a significant restructuring effort intended to streamline decision-making, consolidate functions, and align agency operations with national priorities under the ADVANCE Act and Executive Order 14300. Key elements of this reorganization include the establishment of the Office of the Chief Nuclear Reactor Inspector (CNRI), and integration of operating reactor oversight and inspection staff from Headquarters and all four regions under CNRI. Although these organizational changes do not alter the technical content of the CY2026 inspection plans, they may influence coordination pathways, administrative processes, and communication interfaces. Recognizing these evolving structural factors will help ensure continuity of oversight as the new organizational structure is implemented.

As the agency transitions to the revised Reactor Oversight Process (ROP), self-assessments and effectiveness reviews will be essential to evaluating how well the modernized framework is functioning and identifying where course corrections may be needed. These activities rely on routine monitoring, inspector feedback, performance trends, and operating experience to reveal emerging challenges in program execution and ensure that oversight remains consistent across regions. In alignment with recent Commission direction, staff will conduct targeted reviews and perform a broader cumulative assessment of major changes after the revised requirements take

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effect. Together, these review mechanisms help the agency detect issues early, apply timely adjustments, and maintain a coherent, predictable, and risk-informed oversight program.

In conclusion, the inspection plans provided in the enclosure constitute the complete schedule for all remaining baseline inspection activities for CY2026 under the revised ROP framework. These plans reflect the Commission-approved revisions, the associated transition guidance, and the updated inspection frequencies and scopes that become effective July 1, 2026. Staff and licensees should use the enclosure as the primary reference for confirming inspection windows, coordinating resources, and ensuring that planned activities remain aligned with the revised ROP requirements. Consistent application of these plans across all regions will help maintain predictable oversight during this transition period and support continued safe and effective regulatory performance. Moving forward, the agency will continue to monitor implementation of the revised ROP and make timely adjustments to ensure the oversight program remains coherent, responsive, and well-aligned with the agency's strategic safety and security goals.

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CALENDAR YEAR 2026 INSPECTION PLAN TABLE BY SITE

The following tables provide the ADAMS accession numbers associated with each site's updated inspection plan. Licensees may refer to the documents to confirm inspection windows and ensure alignment with the updated ROP procedures.

REGION I

Site	Inspection Plan ML#
Beaver Valley	ML26140A151
Calvert Cliffs	ML26140A163
FitzPatrick	ML26140A172
Ginna	ML26140A184
Hope Creek	ML26140A191
Limerick	ML26140A202
Millstone	ML26140A205
Nine Mile Point	ML26140A222
Peach Bottom	ML26140A226
Salem	ML26140A231
Seabrook	ML26140A233
Susquehanna	ML26140A235

REGION II

Site	Inspection Plan ML#
Browns Ferry	ML26140A272
Brunswick	ML26140A275
Catawba	ML26140A271
Farley	ML26140A293
Harris	ML26140A279
Hatch	ML26140A298
McGuire	ML26140A283
North Anna	ML26140A292
Oconee	ML26140A294
Robinson	ML26140A282
St. Lucie	ML26140A290
Sequoyah	ML26140A285
Summer	ML26140A284
Surry	ML26140A281
Turkey Point	ML26140A280

Site	Inspection Plan ML#
Vogtle	ML26140A288
Vogtle AP 1000	ML26140A276
Watts Bar	ML26140A297

REGION III

Site	Inspection Plan ML#
Braidwood	ML26138A127
Byron	ML26138A137
Clinton	ML26138A149
D.C. Cook	ML26139A323
Davis-Besse	ML26138A076
Dresden	ML26138A151
Fermi	ML26138A119
LaSalle	ML26138A120
Monticello	ML26138A145
Palisades	ML26139A179
Perry	ML26138A121
Point Beach	ML26138A125
Prairie Island	ML26138A148
Quad Cities	ML26133A056

REGION IV

Site	Inspection Plan ML#
Arkansas Nuclear One	ML26133A067
Callaway	ML26133A047
Columbia Generating Station	ML26133A076
Comanche Peak	ML26133A078
Cooper	ML26133A023
Diablo Canyon	ML26133A079
Grand Gulf	ML26133A056
Palo Verde	ML26133A086
River Bend	ML26133A064
South Texas Project	ML26133A065
Waterford	ML26133A090
Wolf Creek	ML26133A027