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NRC Schedules Webinar to Discuss Performance of URENCO USA Facility

Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will discuss the results of a performance review of the URENCO USA uranium enrichment facility in Eunice, N.M., during a webinar scheduled for April 26.

The webinar will be held from 3-4:30 p.m. EDT (1-2:30 p.m. MDT) with NRC officials participating from the agency's regional offices in Atlanta and URENCO officials at the facility in Eunice. The webinar can be accessed by the public and the media, and NRC officials will be available after the formal presentation to answer questions.

The NRC staff assessed performance of the URENCO facility in Eunice during the period beginning Jan. 1, 2016 and ending Dec. 31, 2017, in safety operations, safeguards, radiological controls, facility support and other areas. Although the safeguards area was assessed, that information is not publicly available due to its sensitive nature. The NRC staff review determined that URENCO continued to conduct its activities safely and securely, protecting public health and the environment.

The review found that none of the program areas needed improvement, which means the NRC will continue its normal inspection program for such facilities. The NRC does not have resident inspectors at the Eunice facility, but conducts periodic inspections of various aspects of the operation using fuel facility inspectors from its Atlanta regional office.

A copy of the NRC [letter](#) to the company regarding the performance review is publicly available on the NRC website.

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