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NRC to Hold Open House to Discuss 2017 Performance of Surry Nuclear Power Plant

Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will discuss the 2017 safety performance of the Surry nuclear power plant, operated by Dominion Energy, during an open house on May 15 in the General District Courtroom at the Surry Government Center, 45 School St., in Surry, Va. The two-unit Surry plant is located near Surry, about 17 miles northwest of Newport News.

The open house will run from 5-6 p.m., and NRC employees responsible for plant inspections, including the resident inspectors based full-time at the site, will be available to discuss its performance.

The NRC concluded that the Surry plant operated safely during 2017. At the end of the year, all inspection findings and performance indicators on Unit 1 and 2 were green or of low safety significance. As a result, both units are under the NRC's normal level of oversight, which 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 and inspection specialists from the NRC Region II office in Atlanta.

The [annual assessment letter](#) for the Surry plant, as well as the [notice](#) for the open house, are available on the [NRC website](#). Current performance information for [Unit 1](#) and [Unit 2](#) is also available.