NRC Schedules Meeting to Discuss TVA Confirmatory Orders

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has scheduled a public meeting for March 6, at the request of the Tennessee Valley Authority, to discuss proposed changes to Confirmatory Orders issued in 2009 and 2017. The meeting will also address safety conscious work environment issues at TVA’s three nuclear power plants.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m., in Classroom 4A at the NRC Technical Training Center, located in the Osborne Office Center, 5746 Marlin Road, in Chattanooga, Tenn.

The NRC Order issued in 2017 contained a list of corrective actions agreed upon by TVA officials to address the work environment issues at Browns Ferry in Alabama, and Sequoyah and Watts Bar in Tennessee.

The 2017 Order was a result of NRC inspections conducted beginning in 2014 through 2016. inspectors found that TVA failed to properly implement a process to ensure that adverse employment actions at the Watts Bar plant complied with employee protection regulations and that the actions would not negatively impact the safety conscious work environment.

The public will have the opportunity to observe the meeting and to communicate with the NRC staff following the business portion of the meeting. A toll-free teleconference line will also be provided for those unable to attend. Anyone wanting to participate by phone should contact Manuel Crespo at 404-997-4733 or Manuel.Crespo@nrc.gov by March 4.