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NRC to Hold Open House to Discuss 2018 Performance of Donald C. Cook Nuclear Power Plant

Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will discuss the 2018 safety performance of the Donald C. Cook nuclear power plant during an open house planned for July 23 in St. Joseph, Mich.

The open house, to be held at Silver Beach Center, 415 Lake Blvd., will run from 3-4:30 p.m. On hand to discuss the plant's performance and the NRC's oversight of the facility will be agency employees responsible for inspections of the plant, including the resident inspectors based at the site on a full-time basis.

The two-unit facility, operated by Indiana Michigan Power Company, is located in Bridgman, Mich., approximately 13 miles south of Benton Harbor, Mich.

D.C. Cook operated safely during 2018. At the end of the year, all inspection findings and performance indicators were green, or of very low safety significance. As a result, it is currently 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 Region III office located in Lisle, Ill.

The [annual assessment letter](#) for D.C. Cook, as well as the [notice](#) of public meeting are available on the [NRC website](#). Current performance information for [Unit 1](#) and [Unit 2](#) is also available.