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NRC to Hold Virtual Meeting to Discuss 2019 Performance of Braidwood and Byron Nuclear Power Plants

Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will discuss the 2019 safety performance of two nuclear power plants in northeastern Illinois during a virtual meeting scheduled for July 14.

Braidwood 1 and 2 nuclear power plants are located in Braceville, Ill., and Byron 1 and 2 nuclear power plants are located in Byron, Ill. All units are operated by Exelon Generation Company, LLC.

The session will begin at 4 p.m. [Online registration](#) is required to participate. Following registration, a confirmation email will be sent with instructions on joining the meeting. For full participation, attendees will need to tune in both online and through a telephone bridge line.

NRC staff responsible for plant inspection and oversight will participate, including the resident inspectors based full-time at the sites.

Braidwood and Byron operated safely during 2019. At the conclusion of the year, all inspection findings and performance indicators for the plants were green, or of very low safety significance. As a result, the plants in 2020 will receive the 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 assigned to each plant and specialist inspectors from the Region III Office in Lisle, Ill.

The annual assessment letters for [Braidwood](#) and [Byron](#), as well as the [meeting notice](#), are available on the [NRC website](#). [Current performance information](#) for the plants is also available and is updated on a quarterly basis.