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NRC Schedules Open House to Discuss Monticello Power Plant Performance

NAPERVILLE, Ill. — Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will conduct an open house May 19 to discuss the 2025 safety performance of the Monticello power plant. The plant is in Monticello, Minnesota, and is operated by Northern States Power Company, Minnesota.

The open house will be held at 4 p.m. CT at the Monticello Community Center, 505 Walnut Street in Monticello. NRC employees responsible for plant inspections, including the resident inspectors based full-time at the site, will be available to answer questions at the event.

The NRC concluded that the Monticello plant operated safely throughout 2025. All inspection findings and performance indicators were of very low safety significance. As a result, the plant remains under the agency's normal level of oversight, which includes thousands of hours of inspections each year.

The NRC Reactor Oversight Process uses color-coded inspection findings and performance indicators to measure plant performance.

The annual assessment letter for the Monticello plant, including upcoming inspection plans, is available on the NRC website. Current performance information is available on the NRC website and updated quarterly.

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission was created as an expert, technical agency to protect public health, safety, and security, and regulate the civilian use of nuclear materials, including enabling the deployment of nuclear power for the benefit of society. Among other responsibilities, the agency issues licenses, conducts inspections, initiates and enforces regulations, and plans for incident response. The NRC is collaborating with interagency partners to implement reforms outlined in new Executive Orders and the ADVANCE Act to streamline agency activities and enhance efficiency.