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NRC STAFF TO HOLD PUBLIC MEETING WITH SOUTHERN NUCLEAR MAY 14 TO DISCUSS INITIAL FARLEY PLANT LICENSE RENEWAL INSPECTION

Nuclear Regulatory Commission officials will meet with Southern Nuclear Operating Company management at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, May 14 to discuss the results of the agency's initial inspection of the Farley nuclear plant license renewal program. The Farley plant is located in southern Alabama about 18 miles southeast of Dothan, near the town of Columbia.

Southern Nuclear submitted an application to renew the licenses of the two units at the Farley plant in September of last year, and that application, if approved by the NRC, would extend the expiration date of the two units' operating licenses from 2017 for Unit 1 and 2021 for Unit 2 to 2037 and 2041 respectively.

The meeting, which is open to the public, will be held at the Southern Nuclear offices, 42 Inverness Center Parkway in Birmingham, Alabama. NRC officials will be available prior to the close of the meeting to answer questions from interested observers.

NRC officials say the inspection is the first of three planned license renewal reviews at the Farley plant and was conducted to verify that the company's license renewal program is being implemented consistent with its license renewal application and pertinent regulations. Subsequent NRC inspections will verify that programs are in place to manage the material condition of the plant's systems, structures and components.

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