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NRC TO PRESENT RESULTS OF LICENSEE PERFORMANCE REVIEW AT AREVA COMMERCIAL FUEL PLANT ON JULY 13 IN LYNCHBURG

Nuclear Regulatory Commission officials will meet with AREVA NP, Inc., management in Lynchburg, Va., at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 13, to discuss the results of a review of regulatory safety performance at the company's commercial nuclear fuel fabrication plant.

The meeting will be held on the first floor of the company's corporate office at 3315 Old Forest Road in Lynchburg and will be open to observation by interested members of the public and the news media. The meeting will be between AREVA and the NRC, and NRC officials will be available at the end of the business portion, before the meeting is adjourned, to answer questions from observers.

The NRC staff assessed performance at AREVA for a period from May 2, 2004 until April 21, 2006, in the areas of operational safety, radiological controls, facility support and licensing.

Dr. William D. Travers, Administrator of the NRC Region II office in Atlanta, said the plant operated safely during the time of the NRC assessment. He said "the NRC continually reviews regulatory safety performance at AREVA and at all of the nation's other licensed nuclear facilities." He added that "this meeting is an opportunity for us to discuss safety performance with the company and with interested members of the press and residents living near the plant."

A copy of the NRC letter to the company regarding the review is publicly available on the internet in the NRC's Agencywide Document Access and Management System (ADAMS) at www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html (ML061590518 for the meeting announcement and ML061460448 for the performance report).

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