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NRC Schedules Open House May 21 to Discuss 2014 Assessment of Harris Nuclear Power Plant

Nuclear Regulatory Commission officials have scheduled an open house for May 21 to provide information and answer questions about the NRC assessment of the Harris nuclear power plant during 2014.

The Harris plant, which is operated by Duke Energy, is located near New Hill, N.C., about 20 miles southwest of Raleigh.

The informal open house is scheduled from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in the Holly Springs Cultural Center, 300 West Ballantine St. in Holly Springs. There will be informational posters and NRC staff will be available to answer questions about the safety of the Harris plant as well as overall NRC oversight and inspection.

Overall, the NRC staff concluded that the Harris plant operated safely in 2014, and the plant will continue to receive the detailed routine or baseline inspections conducted at all nuclear power plants.

"NRC inspectors continually evaluate each nuclear plant's safety, and each year we take a detailed look at that information to identify any trends and help plan future inspections," said NRC Region II Administrator Victor McCree. "Inspection results are available throughout the year, but these open houses allow us to talk to local residents and answer any questions they may have."

Routine inspections are carried out by the NRC Resident Inspectors assigned to the plant and by inspection specialists from the Region II office in Atlanta.

The annual <u>assessment letter</u> for the Harris plant, as well as <u>current performance information</u> is available on the NRC website.