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NRC SCHEDULES PUBLIC MEETING FOR MAY 22 TO DISCUSS WATTS BAR NUCLEAR UNIT 2 CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has scheduled a meeting for Tuesday, May. 22, to discuss the status of construction at the Watts Bar nuclear plant's second unit.

The meeting will begin at 1 p.m. EDT with the NRC staff discussing the Unit 2 construction schedule, including major milestones and potential challenges, with TVA representatives. After the business portion of the meeting, the NRC staff will be available to answer questions from members of the public. The meeting will be at the Spring City Municipal Building, 229 Front St., Spring City, Tenn.

An audio teleconference line will be available for those who want to participate in the meeting via telephone. For details on participation, please contact James Baptist at 404-997-4506 or james.baptist@nrc.gov or Chris Even at 404-997-4661 or chrisopher.even@nrc.gov.

The plant is located near Spring City, about 60 miles southwest of Knoxville. The NRC extended the construction permit for Watts Bar Unit 2 in 2008. TVA had suspended construction of the unit in 1985, but decided in August 2007 to complete the project. TVA plans to complete construction in late 2015 or 2016.

TVA has been operating Unit 1 at the site since 1996.

Additional information on NRC inspection and oversight of Watts Bar Unit 2 construction activities is available at www.nrc.gov/info-finder/reactor/wb/watts-bar.html.

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