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NRC STAFF TO MEET WITH SHAW AREVA MOX SERVICES TO DISCUSS PERFORMANCE AT MIXED OXIDE FABRICATION FACILITY

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has scheduled a meeting with officials of Shaw Areva MOX Services at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 15 in Aiken, S.C., to discuss the results of the Assessment of Applicant Performance for the Mixed Oxide Fuel Fabrication Facility currently under construction at the Savannah River site.

The meeting, which is open to the public, will be held in the Aiken Municipal Center, 215 The Alley in Aiken. NRC officials will be available to answer questions from the public after the business portion of the meeting.

The MOX facility, which will be owned by the Department of Energy's National Nuclear Security Administration, is part of an effort to make surplus weapons-grade plutonium into more proliferation-resistant forms. Converting the plutonium into MOX fuel will enable it to be used in commercial reactors to generate electricity. In the United States, only those reactors authorized by the NRC will be permitted to use MOX fuel.

Copies of the meeting agenda and related documents will be made available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room in Washington, D.C., and from the NRC document system (ADAMS), which is accessible from the NRC Web site at www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html.

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