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NRC SCHEDULES REGULATORY CONFERENCE TO DISCUSS TURKEY POINT NUCLEAR PLANT CONCERN

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission has scheduled a regulatory conference with officials of Florida Power & Light Company on Nov. 8 in Atlanta to discuss the risk significance of inspection findings at the company's Turkey Point nuclear power plant, located near Homestead, Fla, about 30 miles south of Miami.

NRC and FP&L officials will discuss the significance of NRC inspection findings related to unprotected post-fire safe shutdown cables and related compensatory, non-feasible local manual operator action. The meeting was requested by FP&L.

The NRC evaluates regulatory performance at commercial nuclear power plants with a color-coded system which classifies findings as either green, white, yellow or red, in increasing order of safety significance. The NRC's preliminary evaluation determined that this issue at Turkey Point appears to be a "white" finding, which would be considered to be of low to moderate safety significance.

The meeting is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. in the NRC's Region II office, located on the 24th floor of the Atlanta Federal Center at 61 Forsyth Street SW in Atlanta. The public is invited to attend to observe and will have one or more opportunities to communicate with the NRC after the business portion, but before the meeting is adjourned.

No decisions on the final safety significance, apparent violations or possible enforcement action will be made during the conference. Those decisions will be made by NRC officials at a later time.

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AUDIO TELECONFERENCE: Interested members of the public can participate in this meeting via a toll-free audio teleconference. Please contact Mr. Charles Payne at (404) 562-4669 by Nov. 4 indicating your intent and to obtain a teleconferencing number.