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NRC TO HOLD REGULATORY CONFERENCE ON JUNE 30 REGARDING PRELIMINARY 'WHITE' FINDING ISSUED TO MILLSTONE 2 NUCLEAR PLANT

Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will hold a Regulatory Conference with Dominion Nuclear Connecticut, Inc., on Thursday, June 30, to discuss a preliminary "White" (low to moderate safety significance) inspection finding issued to the Millstone Unit 2 nuclear power plant in May.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 1 p.m. at the NRC's Region I Office, at 475 Allendale Road in King of Prussia, Pa. It will be open to the public, with an opportunity for attendees to ask questions of NRC staff before it is concluded.

The Preliminary "White" finding was identified by an NRC team that performed a Special Inspection in response to a Feb. 12 unintended reactor power change (from 88 to 96 percent of rated thermal power) at Millstone Unit 2. The finding involves the failure of Millstone Unit 2 personnel to carry out their assigned roles and responsibilities and inadequate reactor power-level management during main turbine control valve testing. This contributed to the unanticipated reactor power increase.

If finalized, the finding would result in Millstone Unit 2 moving to the Regulatory Response Column of the NRC Action Matrix and receiving additional NRC oversight.

The purpose of a Regulatory Conference is to discuss the inspection finding and its safety significance. It will also give Dominion an opportunity to clarify any issues raised in the NRC inspection report. No decision on the apparent violation or any enforcement action will be made at the conference. Those decisions will be made by NRC officials at a later time.

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