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NRC SCHEDULES MEETING TO DISCUSS BABCOCK & WILCOX NUCLEAR OPERATIONS GROUP IN LYNCHBURG

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has scheduled a meeting with B&W Nuclear Operations Group, Inc., in Lynchburg, Va., on Tuesday, April 17 to discuss the results of the NRC's performance review of the nuclear fuel fabrication facility.

The meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. EDT in the second floor conference room at the Lynchburg City Hall, located at 900 Church St. The meeting will be open to the public and the news media, and NRC staff members will be available to answer questions after the business portion of the meeting.

The NRC staff assessed B&W's performance during a period beginning July 1, 2010 and ending December 31, 2011 in the areas of safety operations, radiological controls, facility support and special topics. Security was also assessed, but that area will not be publicly discussed due to the sensitive nature of the information. The NRC staff review determined that B&W continued to conduct its activities safely and securely, protecting public health and the environment.

The NRC found no areas needing improvement during the performance review period. Due to that performance level, NRC inspections at the facility during the next review period are being conducted at the normal level of inspection for this type of nuclear fuel facility, and no additional inspections are required.

"Our resident inspector and other region-based inspectors closely examine operations and performance at the B&W plant to ensure that the facility meets NRC safety requirements and protects people and the environment," said Region II Administrator Victor McCree.

A copy of the NRC review is available online at www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html. The number to access the document is 12072A130.

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