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NRC to Discuss 2023 Performance of Point Beach Nuclear Power Plant

Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will discuss the 2023 safety performance of the Point Beach nuclear power plant during the Two Rivers City Council public meeting July 15. The plant, in Two Rivers, Wisconsin, is operated by NextEra Energy Point Beach.

The NRC will present its assessment during the city council meeting that begins at 6 p.m. Central time at the Two Rivers City Hall, 1717 E. Park St. in Two Rivers. Members of the public will be able to observe the NRC's presentation and then speak directly with NRC staff afterward. City council meetings are also streamed live on the council's YouTube channel. Details can be found in the meeting notice.

The NRC will discuss its assessment of the plant's 2023 performance. Staff responsible for plant inspection and oversight, including the resident inspectors based at the site, will be available to address any regulatory or technical questions and concerns.

The NRC determined that Point Beach operated safely during 2023. All inspection findings and performance indicators were green or very low safety significance. As a result, the plant remains under the NRC's baseline level of oversight, which entails thousands of hours of inspection each year.

The NRC Reactor Oversight Process uses color-coded inspection findings and indicators to measure plant performance. The colors start at green and increase to white, yellow or red, based on the safety significance of the issues involved. Inspection findings or performance indicators with more than a very low safety significance trigger an increase of NRC oversight.

Plant inspections are performed by two NRC resident inspectors and inspection specialists from the agency's Region III Office in Lisle, Illinois.

The <u>annual assessment letter</u> for Point Beach is available on the <u>NRC website</u>. Current performance information for <u>Unit 1</u> and <u>Unit 2</u> is also available on the NRC website and updated on a quarterly basis.