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THIS LETTER WAS ISSUED TO THOSE ON THE ATTACHED LIST.

SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF UPCOMING MEETING

Dear :

Each year, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) conducts an integrated assessment of nuclear power plant performance. The assessment is based upon the risk significance of the inspection findings of the NRC's resident and region-based inspectors, and the insights gained from the licensee-provided performance indicators. The results are then communicated with the public through a public meeting held in the vicinity of each nuclear power plant. Nationally, plants with significant performance shortcomings are reviewed by the NRC's senior management and discussed with the Commission in a public meeting in Rockville, Maryland.

We have completed the annual assessment associated with the 2002 inspections and performance indicators for Arkansas Nuclear One (ANO). The results can be found on the NRC web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/ASSESS/index.html>. We have also scheduled a public meeting to discuss the results. The meeting for ANO is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 9, 2003, at Arkansas Tech University, Doc Bryan Student Center, Room 242, located directly across the street from Tucker Coliseum.

In conjunction with this meeting, we are offering all local decision-makers an opportunity to meet separately with a regional office NRC manager and myself, the NRC Senior Resident Inspector at ANO, immediately following the public meeting. This opportunity is intended to provide you a forum to ask any questions which you may have, and to let you meet personally the NRC personnel with whom you would interface in the event of an emergency at the nuclear power plant.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter will be made available electronically for public inspection in the Publicly Available Records (PARS) component of NRC's document system (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room).

I hope you find this opportunity responsive to your needs and I look forward to personally greeting you at the meeting. Should you have any questions concerning this initiative, please contact me at 479/968-3290.

Sincerely,

/RA/

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