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Braidwood Station To Host Community Information Night June 16

BRACEVILLE, Ill. (June 11, 2009) – Exelon Nuclear’s Braidwood Generating Station will host its next Community Information Night on Tuesday, June 16. Members of the public can learn about Braidwood’s tritium remediation progress and its plans for long-term spent fuel storage – also known as dry cask storage.

The information night will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. at Cinder Ridge Golf Course, 24801 Lakepoint Drive in Wilmington. Exelon representatives, technical experts and officials from various agencies - including the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA), and Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) - will be on hand to provide information and answer questions on a one-on-one basis with attendees about the operation of Braidwood Station.

Residents will be able to receive updates about the station’s tritium remediation efforts and other plant projects like dry cask storage, which involves moving used nuclear fuel safely from the station’s fuel pool into a robust steel-lined container. The containers will be stored at a secure location on station property until the Department of Energy takes ownership and moves them to a more permanent storage facility.

Station personnel have begun construction of a concrete storage pad on site, with further infrastructure work commencing in 2010 followed by the actual cask moves in 2011. The storage pad will be located in the station’s highly secure Protected Area, which will be monitored on a 24-by-7 basis by security and operations personnel.

The containers are robust structures that are designed to withstand extreme conditions, including earthquakes, tornadoes, floods and sabotage. They are steel-lined and contain 26 inches of concrete that surrounds the outer diameter of a smaller cask. The NRC licenses the containers.

Refreshments will be served and takeaway information will be available at the information meeting. More information on the tritium remediation project can be found at www.braidwoodtritium.info.

Braidwood Generating Station is approximately 60 miles southwest of Chicago. The station’s two nuclear energy units can produce a total of more than 2,300 megawatts at full power - enough electricity to power more than two million homes.

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