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NRC Names New Resident Inspector for Vogtle Nuclear Plant Construction

Nuclear Regulatory Commission officials in Atlanta have selected Sarah Temple as a Resident Inspector for the construction of Vogtle Units 3 and 4, located near Waynesboro, Ga., about 26 miles southeast of Augusta. The two new units are licensed to Southern Nuclear Operating Co., which operates the two existing Vogtle nuclear units at the same site.



Sarah Temple is a native of Birmingham, Ala., and began her NRC career in 2010 as a civil engineer in the Division of Construction Inspection in the NRC's Region II Office in Atlanta.

Temple has also served on a rotational assignment as a Resident Inspector for construction at the Watts Bar plant in Tennessee. In addition to being a qualified construction inspector, she is also qualified as a vendor inspector.

Temple received her bachelor of civil engineering from Auburn University in Auburn, Ala., in 2010.

Temple joins Senior Resident Inspector Justin Fuller and Resident Inspectors Coleman Abbott and Chad Huffman at the Vogtle nuclear construction site.

“Sarah Temple has the training and commitment to help ensure that construction is completed according to NRC regulations and in a way that protects people and the environment,” said Deputy Regional Administrator for Construction Fred Brown.

Each operating U.S. commercial nuclear power plant site has at least two NRC Resident Inspectors. They serve as the agency's eyes and ears at the facility, conducting regular inspections, monitoring significant work projects, and interacting with plant workers and the public. Inspectors can serve for up to seven years at any one site. Construction sites have their own NRC Resident Inspectors and the number assigned will be dependent on the work being done at each site.

The Vogtle construction Resident Inspectors can be reached at 706-437-2540.