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NRC APPOINTS NEW ASSISTANT TO DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND OTHER PA OFFICERS

Joe T. Gilliland, Senior Public Affairs Officer in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Region IV Office in Arlington, Texas, has been selected as Assistant to the Director of Public Affairs, effective September 2.

He replaces Frank L. Ingram, who has served in that position since the beginning of the NRC in January 1975. Mr. Ingram, who is retiring after working in the Federal Government for more than 30 years, also served in a number of progressively responsible public information positions with the former Atomic Energy Commission.

Mr. Gilliland joined the NRC in 1980 as a Public Affairs Officer in its Region II Office in Atlanta, Georgia, and subsequently was transferred to the Arlington Office in 1987. He came to the NRC after 19 years as a reporter and later associate editor of the Tullahoma (Tenn.) News.

Breck W. Henderson, who has been Senior Public Affairs Officer in the NRC's Field Office in Walnut Creek, California, will replace Mr. Gilliland in the Arlington Office. Mr. Henderson, who previously served as a Senior Public Information Officer at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in Livermore, California, came to the NRC in August 1994.

Mark Hammond, who has more than 11 years experience as a reporter for daily newspapers in the State of New York, has been selected as Public Affairs Officer for the Walnut Creek Field Office. Mr. Hammond comes to the NRC from The Daily Gazette of Schenectady, New York.