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NRC COMMISSIONER TO SPEAK ON NUCLEAR SECURITY AT UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA ON NOVEMBER 17

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commissioner Dr. Nils J. Diaz will speak about security at the country's nuclear power plants at the University of Florida in Gainesville on Saturday, November 17.

The event is scheduled for Room 361 at the J. W. Reitz Union on the campus at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Diaz was invited to speak by Florida State Representative Jerry Paul (R-Port Charlotte).

Commissioner Diaz was first sworn in as a commissioner of the NRC on August 23, 1996 for a five-year term and nominated by the President and confirmed by the Senate on October 4 of this year for a second five-year term.

Before joining the NRC, Dr. Diaz was a professor of nuclear engineering at the University of Florida and director of the Innovative Nuclear Space Power and Propulsion Institute, a national consortium of universities and industry, which he founded. He also was president of Florida Nuclear Associates, Inc., a high technology research and consulting firm.

Dr. Diaz received a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Villanova, in Cuba, and both Master of Science and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Florida in nuclear sciences.

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