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The Honorable Jeffrey S. Merrifield was sworn in for a second term as a Commissioner of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission on August 5, 2002. Mr. Merrifield has served as a Commissioner since October 23, 1998, when he was first appointed to the Commission.

Prior to assuming that post, he had served for several years as a senior counsel and legislative assistant to two United States Senators and as a Washington, D.C., attorney, specializing in environmental and regulatory issues.

Immediately before joining the NRC, Mr. Merrifield was Majority Counsel and Staff Director of the Senate Subcommittee on Superfund, Waste Control and Risk Assessment under the chairmanship of Sen. Robert Smith (R-NH). During nearly four years in that assignment, he drafted legislation dealing with solid and hazardous waste disposal and cleanup regulation. In addition, he advised Senator Smith, who was also Chairman of the Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, on environmental matters involving facilities of the Departments of Defense and Energy.

From September 1992 to January 1995, Mr. Merrifield was an associate of the Washington, D.C., law firm of McKenna & Cuneo, where he represented a broad range of clients on environmental, contracting and regulatory issues.

Mr. Merrifield, a native of Antrim, N.H., majored in political science and history at Tufts University, where he received his Bachelor of Arts degree, magna cum laude, in 1985. He received his Juris Doctorate degree from Georgetown University Law Center in 1992.

Mr. Merrifield is married and has two sons and one daughter. He is a member of the bar of both New Hampshire and the District of Columbia.

August, 2002

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