

June 7, 2005

Mr. Dan G. Blair, Acting Director
Office of Personnel Management
1900 E Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20415

Dear Mr. Blair:

I am pleased to advise you that I have appointed James F. McDermott to serve as Acting Chief Human Capital Officer (CHCO) at the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). In this capacity, Mr. McDermott will report directly to the Executive Director for Operations and will replace Paul E. Bird, a member of the Chief Human Capital Officers Council, who retired from the NRC on May 31, 2005.

Mr. McDermott's long leadership experience in human capital planning and human resources management has equipped him with qualities and competencies required of a Chief Human Capital Officer. I believe he will serve the NRC and the CHCO community well in this capacity.

Mr. McDermott can be reached at 301-415-7516 or at jfm2@nrc.gov. He assumed his new role on June 1, 2005.

Sincerely,

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Nils J. Diaz