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NRC INVITES APPLICANTS FOR DIRECTOR OF NUCLEAR REGULATORY RESEARCH

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission is seeking qualified candidates for the position of Director of the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (RES), the Congressionally mandated office for research in support of regulatory decisions on nuclear reactors, nuclear materials and radioactive waste.

“This is a key position in helping the NRC further protect public health and safety,” said Chairman Nils J. Diaz. With an annual budget of approximately \$70 million, and a growing staff of 235, RES has provided technical support, technical tools, and information to identify and resolve safety issues for current and new reactor designs and technologies. In the coming years, the office will explore such topics as advanced reactors, risk-informed regulations, materials degradation, instrumentation and control, and accident analysis, working in cooperation with national laboratories, universities, international partners, and others.

RES Director Carl Paperiello has announced his retirement after a long, distinguished career with the NRC. “Paperiello has served the nation admirably in this role and has positioned the office for an exciting future.” said Luis Reyes, the agency's Executive Director for Operations, “His successor will inherit an opportunity to help direct exciting post-Energy Policy Act activities and the potential review of new reactor license applications.”

This executive level position requires substantial supervisory, managerial, and/or policy-making experience along with demonstrated ability to conduct and lead research, evaluate research products, and make sound technical judgements on the relative merit and feasibility of different or competing research proposals. It also requires a broad knowledge of physical science and/or engineering theories, principles and practices, and an understanding of their relationship to specific technological issues, problems, and applications associated with nuclear facilities and materials. Candidates should have extensive knowledge of current nuclear research programs and activities being carried out in the United States and in foreign countries along with knowledge of risk analysis and its application to the regulatory arena. Highly developed leadership skills, business acumen, and the ability to effect change are essential.

For a detailed job description of this Senior Executive Service position and to apply on-line, please visit our Web site at: www.nrc.gov/who-we-are/employment.html and refer to Vacancy

Announcement #RES-2006-0009. To enter your resume into the system, simply prepare it using WordPerfect, Word, or another commonly used program, then copy and paste your resume into NRCareers. Only on-line applications will be accepted through Feb. 27, 2006. Recruitment incentive and relocation compensation available.

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