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NRC Names New Resident Inspector at Waterford 3 Nuclear Power Plant



The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has selected Christopher Speer to be the new resident inspector at the Waterford 3 nuclear plant, located 25 miles west of New Orleans, La.

“Chris’s background and experience will assist the NRC in carrying out its mission of protecting people and the environment and ensuring the safe operation of nuclear power plants,” said NRC Region IV Administrator Arthur T. Howell.

Speer joined the NRC’s Region IV office in Arlington, Texas, in 2011, where he has been working as a reactor inspector. He is also a participant in the NRC’s Nuclear Safety Professional Development Program. Prior to joining the NRC, Christopher worked as a nuclear engineer at the Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory. He holds a bachelor’s degree in nuclear engineering from the University of Missouri-Rolla.

Each U.S. commercial nuclear power plant has at least two resident inspectors. Speer joins senior resident inspector Marlone Davis. They serve as the agency’s eyes and ears at the facility, conducting inspections and monitoring significant work projects.

The Waterford 3 resident inspectors can be reached at 985-783-6253.