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## **NRC Names New Resident Inspector at South Texas Project Plant**



The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission has selected Nick Hernandez as the new resident inspector at the South Texas Project Electric Generating Station located near Bay City, Texas.

“Nick Hernandez’s technical and regulatory experience will assist the NRC in carrying out its mission to protect people and the environment by ensuring the safe operation of nuclear power plants,” said NRC Region IV Administrator Marc Dapas.

Hernandez joined the NRC’s Region IV office in Arlington, Texas, in August 2008, as a Project Engineer in the Division of Reactor Projects. Most recently, he served as an Operations Engineer in the Division of Reactor Safety. Prior to joining the NRC, Hernandez served as a submarine officer in the United States Navy. He holds a bachelor’s degree in economics from the United States Naval Academy.

Each U.S. commercial nuclear power plant site has at least two NRC resident inspectors. Hernandez joins senior resident inspector Fred Sanchez. They serve as the agency’s eyes and ears at the facility, conducting inspections, monitoring significant work projects, and interacting with plant workers and the public.

The South Texas Project resident inspectors can be reached at 361-972-2507.