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NRC Names New Senior Resident Inspector at Watts Bar Nuclear Plant



Nuclear Regulatory Commission officials in Atlanta have selected Jared Nadel to serve as the Senior Resident Inspector for the Tennessee Valley Authority's Watts Bar Nuclear Plant's Unit 1, located near Spring City, Tenn.

Nadel succeeds Bob Monk, who retired after a long NRC career that included seven years at Watts Bar Unit 1, which is located about 60 miles southwest of Knoxville.

Nadel joined the NRC in 2004 as a Reactor Inspector in the Region IV office in Arlington, Texas. While in Region IV, he worked as a regional inspector, conducting inspections at numerous nuclear sites. In August 2008, he was named Resident Inspector at the Surry Power Station in Virginia.

Nadel has served as a Resident Inspector at Watts Bar since August. He received a bachelor of science degree in nuclear engineering and a bachelor of arts degree in physics at North Carolina State University in 2003. While at N.C. State and for one year after graduating, he worked as an NRC-licensed reactor operator at the university's PULSTAR research reactor.

"Jared Nadel has the dedication and experience to carry out the NRC mission of protecting people and the environment by helping ensure the safety of the Watts Bar plant," said NRC Region II Administrator Victor McCree.

At least two NRC Resident Inspectors are assigned to each operating U.S. commercial nuclear plant. They serve as the agency's eyes and ears at the facility, conducting inspections, monitoring major work projects and interacting with plant workers and the public. Resident Inspectors can serve at one site for up to seven years.

The Watts Bar Resident Inspectors can be reached at 423-365-1776.