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## **Marc L. Dapas Assumes Duties as Director, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards**

Marc L. Dapas, a 27-year veteran of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, has begun serving as the new director of the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards at NRC headquarters in Rockville, Md. He succeeds Catherine Haney, who left in January to become regional administrator in the agency's Region II office in Atlanta.

"Marc Dapas' experience in a variety of roles across the agency will serve him well as he takes the helm of our nuclear materials office," said Victor McCree, the NRC's executive director for operations. "He has shown an unparalleled commitment to technical and managerial excellence in a wide variety of assignments in our regional offices as well as at NRC headquarters."

With Dapas' arrival, Scott Moore, who has been acting director since Haney's departure, will resume his position as deputy director for the office.

Dapas began his career in 1989 as an operations specialist at agency headquarters and three years later began a series of increasingly responsible positions in the NRC's Region III office outside of Chicago.

In 1998, Dapas joined the Senior Executive Service in Region III, leading a program assuring safety at 18 reactor facilities, and in 2002 he took over leadership of the materials program in the region. Three years later he became deputy regional administrator of the Region I office in King of Prussia, Pa., where he helped lead that office's oversight of both reactors and materials licensees in the Northeast.

Dapas returned to NRC headquarters in 2011 as deputy director for the Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response. In this position, he provided leadership of the NRC's oversight of security policy for both nuclear facilities and users of radioactive materials, as well as maintained the NRC emergency preparedness and incident response programs.

In 2013, he became regional administrator in the NRC's Region IV office outside of Dallas, helping oversee the safety and security inspection of 19 reactors and 600 materials licensees.

Dapas received a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the U.S. Naval Academy and served on active duty in the U.S. Navy's nuclear power submarine program. After leaving active duty to join the NRC, Dapas continued his military service as a member of the Navy Reserve, retiring in 2012 after 30 years of service.