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Daniel H. Dorman Named NRC Executive Director for Operations



Daniel H. Dorman has been selected by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission as the agency's next Executive Director for Operations, the highestranking NRC career position, effective Oct. 10, 2021. Dorman succeeds Margaret M. Doane, who is leaving the agency for an international career opportunity.

Dorman currently serves as the Deputy Executive Director for Reactor and Preparedness Programs, which includes oversight over all four regional offices. He also previously served as the Acting Deputy Executive Director for Materials, Waste, Research, State, Tribal, Compliance, Administration and Human Capital Programs.

"Dan has admirably served the NRC for more than 30 years in key leadership positions. He is someone who keenly understands the needs of our agency and our people," said NRC Chairman Christopher T. Hanson. "Dan is a problem solver, a champion for agency modernization and innovation, and has proven through results his ability to rally our staff for a common purpose. He has earned the respect of our workforce, the NRC leadership and the agency's diverse stakeholders."

Dorman joined the NRC in 1991 as a project engineer in the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation. In 1999, he was selected as Chief, Quality Assurance and Safety Assessment Section, Division of Inspection Program Management, NRR.

Since joining the Senior Executive Service in 2001, Dorman has served in a number of senior management positions, including Director, Division of Security Operations, Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response and Deputy Office Director, Office of Nuclear Materials Safety and Safeguards. In 2012, he was appointed as Deputy Director for Engineering and Corporate Support, NRR. In 2014, he was appointed Regional Administrator for Region I, King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, which conducts inspection and oversight of power reactors in the Northeast and materials licenses in the Eastern U.S.

Dorman served as a submarine officer in the U.S. Navy's nuclear power program with a subspecialty in joint intelligence operations. He received a bachelor's degree in naval architecture and marine engineering from the Webb Institute of Naval Architecture.

He received the NRC's Meritorious Service Award in 1998 and the Presidential Rank Meritorious Executive Award in 2008.

The NRC also announced today that Darrell J. Roberts, currently the Deputy Executive Director for Materials, Waste, Research, State, Tribal, Compliance, Administration and Human Capital Programs, will replace Dorman, effective Oct. 10.

Roberts joined the NRC in 1989 as a reactor engineer intern in NRR. He received a bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering from Virginia Tech and a master's degree in Technical Management from Johns Hopkins University. Roberts is a graduate of NRC's SES Candidate Development Program.

Catherine Haney will replace Roberts, also effective Oct. 10. She currently is the Assistant for Operations, in the Office of the EDO. She joined the NRC in 1981 as a Health Physicist Intern in the former Office of Inspection and Enforcement.

Haney received a bachelor's degree in Radiological Technology from the University of Maryland and a master's degree in Radiological Science from Emory University. She is a graduate of NRC's SES Candidate Development Program.