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John A. (Jack) Grobe has been the Associate Director for Engineering and Safety Systems for the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) since August 2006. Mr. Grobe has a Masters of Science degree in Bionucleonics and a Bachelor of Science degree in Nuclear Engineering, both from Purdue University.

Prior to joining the NRC, Mr. Grobe was a radiation safety officer at the Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory (Fermilab) in Batavia, Illinois.

Mr Grobe joined the NRC in 1980 as a engineering inspector in the NRC Region III Office. Since that time, he has held progressively more responsible positions in Region III, including Senior Resident Inspector; Director, Enforcement; and Chief, Nuclear Materials Safety Branch. In 1996, he was appointed to the Senior Executive Service (SES) and served as the Deputy Director, Division of Reactor Projects and Director, Division of Reactor Safety in Region III.

During his tenure in Region III, Mr. Grobe participated in several major Agency tasks, including Chair of NRC Restart Oversight Panels for a number of facilities in long term shutdowns due to safety performance deficiencies. Most recently, Mr. Grobe served as Chair of the NRC's Davis Besse Oversight Panel following discover of the reactor vessel head corrosion. In 2004, Mr. Grobe was appointed as the Director, Office of Nuclear Security Special Projects in NRC headquarters to direct the NRC initiatives regarding the identification and evaluation of mitigation strategies to enhance operational safety following loss of large areas of the facility due to fire or explosion.

In 2005, Mr. Grobe was selected as the Director, Division of Component Integrity in NRR. Currently, Mr. Grobe serves on a number of special committees, including Chair, Digital Instrumentation and Controls Steering Committee; and a member of the State-of-the-Art Reactor Consequence Analyses Committee and the Committee to Review Generic Requirements.