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Mel Leach is the Director of the Division of Preparedness and Response in the Office Nuclear Security and Incident Response (NSIR). Mr. Leach joined the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) in 1990 as an Operator Licensing Examiner in Region III. He held a variety of progressively more responsible positions in Region III including Senior Resident Inspector, Senior Reactor Analyst and branch chief positions in the Divisions of Reactor Safety and reactor Projects. Mr. Leach has subsequently progressed through the NRC Senior Executive Service ranks holding the positions in the Office of Nuclear Materials Safety and Safeguards as Chief, Fuel Cycle Licensing Branch; Chief of the Special Projects Branch; and Director, Program Management, Policy Development and Analysis Staff, NMSS. Prior to being appointed to his current position, Mr. Leach also serves as Deputy Director for Incident Response. Prior to joining the NRC, Mr. Leach was an Engineer Officer in the Royal Navy's nuclear submarine program and held a Senior Reactor Operator License for a U.S. commercial power plant.