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NRC Names New Senior Resident Inspector at Palisades Nuclear Power Station



The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission has selected Paul LaFlamme as the new senior resident inspector at the Palisades nuclear power plant in South Haven, Mich. The plant is operated by Entergy Nuclear Operations Inc.

LaFlamme joined the NRC in 2007 as a reactor engineer in Region III in Lisle, Ill. He has worked as a resident inspector at the Prairie Island nuclear power station in Minnesota and at the D.C. Cook nuclear power station in Michigan. Prior to joining the agency, he worked for the U.S. Navy at the Norfolk Naval Shipyard as a nuclear shift test engineer.

LaFlamme earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Michigan Technological University and a bachelor's degree in mathematics from the University of Wisconsin.

Each commercial nuclear power plant site in the United States has at least two resident inspectors who monitor day-to-day operations at the plant. They serve as the agency's eyes and ears at the facility, conducting inspections and monitoring significant work projects.

LaFlamme joins NRC Resident Inspector Julie Boettcher at the Palisades facility. The Palisades resident inspectors can be reached at (269) 764-8971.