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## **NRC Names David Lew Region I Administrator**



The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has appointed David C. Lew as the Agency's Region I administrator, effective immediately. In addition, Raymond K. Lorson has been named deputy Region I administrator, effective September.

The Region I Office, in King of Prussia, Pa., is responsible for the inspection and safety assessment of 16 nuclear power plant sites (25 reactors). Region I oversees the inspection and licensing of medical, academic and industrial users of radioactive materials in 20 states and the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Sixteen of those states are Agreement States, which implement

the NRC's materials inspection and licensing programs.

"Dave is a consummate professional whose strong safety focus and broad range of technical and managerial experience will serve the public well in this important role," said Margaret M. Doane, the NRC's executive director for operations. "Dave and Ray are a great team, whose combined contributions will provide strong leadership of our oversight activities in the Region."

Lew most recently was the deputy regional administrator in Region I. He joined the NRC in 1987 as a license examiner in the Region II office in Atlanta. His assignments included resident inspector at Oyster Creek and Indian Point 2, senior project engineer, senior resident inspector at Indian Point 3, and several branch chief positions. He joined the Senior Executive Service in 2004 and has held a variety of senior management positions in the region and in the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research at NRC headquarters.

Prior to joining the NRC, Lew spent five years as a submarine officer in the Navy's nuclear power program. He earned a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Columbia University.



Lorson joined the NRC in 1991 as a reactor engineer in Region I. He subsequently was a resident inspector at the Peach Bottom and the Salem nuclear power plants, and the senior resident inspector at Seabrook Station and Salem. He also has held several branch chief positions in Region I. Since joining the Senior Executive Service in 2009, he has served in several senior management positions, including deputy director of the Technical Review Directorate in the Division of Spent Fuel Storage and Transportation at NRC headquarters, and the Director of the Divisions of Reactor Safety and Nuclear Materials Safety in Region I. He currently is the Region I director of the Division of Reactor Projects.

Lorson served in the Navy's nuclear power program and holds a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from the University of Pittsburgh.

Lew succeeds Daniel H. Dorman, who currently is the Acting Deputy Executive Director for Materials, Waste, Research, State, Tribal, Compliance, Administration, and Human Capital Programs.