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NRC Names New Resident Inspector to Seabrook Nuclear Plant



The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has selected Eben Allen as the new resident inspector at Seabrook Station in Seabrook, New Hampshire. He joins NRC Senior Resident Inspector Travis Daun at the plant, which is operated by NextEra Energy.

Allen joined the agency in 2013 as a project manager for spent fuels in the Office of Nuclear Materials Safety and Safeguards, and later worked on research and test reactor licensing and oversight in the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation. He also was a reactor engineer in NRC's Region I Office in King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, before temporarily being assigned as the resident inspector at the Indian Point nuclear power plant. Most recently, he served as a resident inspector at Millstone Station in Waterford, Connecticut.

Previously, he served for six years in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Alaska and also was an NRC-licensed reactor operator at the University of Missouri Research Reactor. He earned a bachelor's degree in nuclear engineering technology from Thomas Edison State University. He earned a master's degree in nuclear engineering with an emphasis in health physics, as well as a graduate certificate in nuclear security and safeguards, from the University of Missouri.

"Eben has a combined 22 years of experience in the nuclear industry," said NRC Region I Administrator Raymond Lorson. "That experience and his education make him a valuable asset to the NRC inspection team at Seabrook."

Each U.S. commercial nuclear plant has at least two NRC resident inspectors. They serve as the agency's eyes and ears at the facility, conducting inspections, monitoring major work projects and interacting with plant workers and the public. Resident inspectors can be assigned to any one site for up to seven years.