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NRC NAMES NEW RESIDENT INSPECTORS AT PALO VERDE NUCLEAR PLANT

Nuclear Regulatory Commission officials at the Region IV office in Arlington, Texas, have announced the assignment of a senior resident inspector and a resident inspector at the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station about 50 miles west of Phoenix, Ariz.

James H. Moorman III has been named the senior resident inspector at the three-unit site. Mr. Moorman joined the NRC in 1984 as a reactor engineer at the Region II office in Atlanta, Georgia. He has held the positions of reactor inspector, operating licensing examiner and was temporarily assigned to the Edwin I. Hatch nuclear plant near Baxley, Georgia, as senior resident inspector.

Prior to joining the NRC, Mr. Moorman worked at the Norfolk Naval Shipyard in Virginia, where he directed reactor plant testing evolutions on Navy nuclear-powered surface ships. He earned a bachelor's degree in industrial engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology in 1980. He and his wife, Kathi, have three children, Jimmy, 7, Mary Kate, 5, and Madeline, 3.

Nancy L. Salgado has been named resident inspector. Ms. Salgado joined the NRC in 1991 through its internship program in Region II and worked as a reactor inspector in the regional Division of Reactor Safety. She was a resident inspector at the Oconee nuclear plant near Greenville, South Carolina, from October 1995 until being assigned recently to Palo Verde.

Ms. Salgado earned a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from New Mexico State University in Las Cruces. She and her husband, David, have a daughter, Bronte, 3.

They join Dan Carter, NRC resident inspector, at Palo Verde, which is operated by the Arizona Public Service Co.

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