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NEW NRC RESIDENT INSPECTOR ASSIGNED TO PILGRIM NUCLEAR PLANT



Nuclear Regulatory Commission officials in King of Prussia, Pa., have selected Brian Smith as the new Resident Inspector at the Pilgrim nuclear power plant in Plymouth, Mass. He joins Senior Resident Inspector Max Schneider at the site.

Smith joined the NRC in 2004. Most recently he worked as an engineer in the Performance Assessment Branch in the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation at NRC headquarters in Rockville, Md. He is a graduate of the NRC's Nuclear Safety Professional Development Program, a two-year training program that provides specialized training and a broad perspective of NRC activities. He also completed a rigorous NRC inspector qualification program. Smith earned master's and bachelor's degrees in mechanical engineering from Penn State.

"Brian Smith has the training and commitment to safety that will help the NRC carry out its mission of protecting people and the environment and ensuring the safe operation of nuclear power plants," said NRC Region I Administrator Samuel J. Collins.

Each U.S. commercial nuclear plant site 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.

The Pilgrim resident inspectors can be reached at 508/747-0565.

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