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NRC ANNOUNCES NEW SENIOR RESIDENT INSPECTOR AT BRAIDWOOD NUCLEAR POWER STATION

Nuclear Regulatory Commission officials in Lisle, Illinois, have assigned Steven P. Ray as a senior resident inspector at the Braidwood Nuclear Power Station in Braceville, Illinois.

Ray, who began his duties at the Braidwood plant in April, joined the NRC in 1988 as resident inspector at the Clinton Nuclear Power Station in Clinton, Illinois. He was also senior resident inspector at the Monticello Nuclear Power Plant in Monticello, Minnesota, and at the Prairie Island Nuclear Power Plant in Welch, Minnesota. Ray was active in the development of the Revised Reactor Oversight Program as one of the ten pilot plant senior resident inspectors.

Prior to joining the NRC, Ray ran a company surveying homes for radioactive radon gas. He worked for Westinghouse for six years as an operating crew shift foreman at the Byron Nuclear Power Station in Byron, Illinois, and as a senior reactor operator training instructor.

Ray began his career in the nuclear industry in 1972 as an officer in the Naval Nuclear Submarine Program. During nine years in the navy, he served in various positions on the USS Pargo and the USS Plunger and taught at the Naval Nuclear Power School in Orlando, Florida.

Ray received a bachelor's degree in Mathematics with a minor in Physics and a Secondary Education Teaching Certificate from the University of Minnesota. He also earned a Westinghouse Pressurized Water Reactor Senior Reactor Operator Instructor Certificate. Ray and his wife Linda live in Morris, Illinois.

Ray joined resident inspector Nirodh Shah at the Braidwood plant. They can be reached at (815)458-2852.