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NRC ASSIGNS NEW RESIDENT INSPECTOR TO HOPE CREEK NUCLEAR PLANT

Nuclear Regulatory Commission officials in King of Prussia, Pa., have selected Marc S. Ferdas as the new resident inspector at the Hope Creek nuclear power plant in Hancock's Bridge, N.J. He joins Senior Resident Inspector Joseph Schoppy at the site.

Ferdas replaces Christopher Cahill who was reassigned to the NRC Regional Office in King of Prussia.

Ferdas joined the NRC in 1998 as a reactor engineer intern. After a period of training, he was assigned as a region-based inspector in the Region I Division of Reactor Safety. As such he performed inspections at nuclear power plants in the northeastern United States.

Ferdas earned a degree in chemical engineering from Rutgers College of Engineering in Piscataway, N.J. He is currently pursuing a master's degree in engineering management from Drexel University in Philadelphia. He also is a graduate of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Executive Leadership Program.

Every commercial nuclear power plant in the U.S. has at least two NRC resident inspectors. They have an office and work at the facility, conducting regular inspections and monitoring significant work projects.

The Hope Creek resident inspectors can be reached at 856/935-3850.

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