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NRC NAMES NEW SENIOR RESIDENT INSPECTOR AT PALO VERDE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission has promoted Greg Warnick to senior resident inspector at the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station, located near Wintersburg, Ariz.

"Greg Warnick's training and experience will aid the NRC in its oversight of the licensee as part of our effort to ensure that the Palo Verde nuclear plant operates in a manner that continues to protect public health and safety," said NRC Region IV Administrator Bruce S. Mallett.

Warnick, who has been a resident inspector at Palo Verde since 2000, will work with Pablo Benvenuto and Jim Melfi, both resident inspectors at the plant.

Warnick first joined the NRC in 1997 as a project engineer in the NRC's Region II office in Atlanta, Ga. In 1998, he was assigned as resident inspector at the St. Lucie nuclear plant in St. Lucie, Fla., and transferred to Region IV in 2000.

Prior to joining the NRC, Warnick was employed as a nuclear plant engineer at Lockheed Martin - Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory, Inc. He graduated from Brigham Young University with a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering in 1993.

Each of the country's commercial nuclear plants has resident inspectors who serve as the agency's eyes and ears at the facility, conducting regular inspections, monitoring significant work projects and interacting with plant workers and the public. The resident inspectors at Palo Verde can be reached at (623) 386-3638.