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DEAN OVERLAND NAMED RESIDENT INSPECTOR AT WATERFORD 3 NUCLEAR PLANT

Nuclear Regulatory Commission officials in Arlington, Texas, have selected Dean Overland as the new Resident Inspector at the Waterford 3 nuclear plant.

Entergy Nuclear operates the plant near New Orleans, La. The NRC has two inspectors assigned to the plant. Mr. Overland joins Senior Resident Inspector Grant Larkin, who was been assigned at Waterford 3 since 2001.

"Dean Overland's experience and commitment to safety will help the NRC ensure that Waterford 3 conducts operations with the highest safety standards to protect the public health and safety," said NRC Region IV Administrator Bruce S. Mallett.

Following U.S. Navy service as a reactor operator, Mr. Overland obtained his bachelor's degree in nuclear engineering technology and worked for the operations department at the Palisades nuclear plant in Covert, Mich., from 1998 until 2001.

In 2001, Mr. Overland began working in the NRC's Office of Regulatory Research in Rockville, Md., where he served as a project manager and prepared materials to inform the Commission of activities to risk-inform existing regulations and practices. In 2004, Mr. Overland moved to the NRC's Region IV office in Arlington, Texas, where he performed specialized inspections at commercial nuclear facilities in the western United States.

Each U.S. commercial nuclear power plant site has at least two NRC resident inspectors. They serve as the agency's eyes and ears at the facility, conducting inspections and monitoring significant work projects.

The Waterford 3 resident inspectors can be reached at: (985) 783-6253.