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## NRC ASSIGNS NEW RESIDENT INSPECTOR TO VERMONT YANKEE NUCLEAR POWER PLANT



Sarah Rich has been selected as the new Nuclear Regulatory Commission resident inspector at the Vermont Yankee nuclear power plant in Vernon, Vt. She joins NRC Senior Resident Inspector Dave Spindler at the site, operated by Entergy Nuclear.

"Sarah Rich's education, training and commitment to safety will help the NRC in its mission of protecting people and the environment by helping ensure that Vermont Yankee meets the high standards set by the agency," NRC Region I Administrator Bill Dean said.

Rich joined the NRC in August 2008 after earning a bachelor's degree in nuclear science and engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. She graduated from the agency's Nuclear Safety Professional Development Program, a two-year program that provides specialized training in nuclear safety and a broad perspective of NRC regulatory activities. She has also completed the NRC's inspector qualification program.

Each U.S. commercial nuclear plant 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 Vermont Yankee resident inspectors can be reached at 802-257-4319.

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