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NRC NAMES GRANT F. LARKIN RESIDENT INSPECTOR AT WATERFORD 3

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission has named Grant F. Larkin resident inspector at Waterford 3, a nuclear power plant near Taft, La. Mr. Larkin joins senior resident inspector Tom Farnholtz.

Following U.S. Army service in Germany as a translator/interpreter, Mr. Larkin graduated from the University of Minnesota with bachelor's degrees in political science and geology in 1982. While working for the Department of the Navy, he completed a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering in 1986 and continued his civilian career as a nuclear engineer at naval facilities in California, New York and Washington state. From 1983 to 2000, Mr. Larkin refueled naval reactor plants and worked with mechanical and fluid system engineering groups engaged in repair work. In February 2000, Mr. Larkin joined the NRC as a reactor engineer in the Division of Reactor Projects at the Region IV office in Arlington, Texas.

Mr. Larkin, his wife, Jenni, and three children will live in Destrehan, Louisiana.

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

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