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NRC Names New Senior Resident Inspector at the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station



The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has selected Lindsay Merker as the new senior resident inspector at the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station in Tonopah, Arizona.

Merker joined the NRC in 2013 as a project engineer in the Region IV office in Arlington, Texas. She is a graduate of the NRC's Nuclear Safety Professional Development Program and became an engineering reactor inspector in the region's Division of Reactor Safety in 2015. She has served as the resident inspector at the Columbia Generating Station since 2017. She holds a bachelor's degree in nuclear engineering from the Missouri University of Science and Technology.

"Lindsay's education, training and commitment to safety are the precise qualities expected of our resident inspectors," said Region IV Administrator Scott Morris. "Her experience and commitment will help the NRC continue to protect the people and the environment and ensure that Palo Verde meets the high standards of excellence set by the agency."

Each U.S. commercial nuclear power plant site has at least two NRC resident inspectors. Merker joins resident inspectors Eric Lantz and Noe Cuevas. They serve as the agency's eyes and ears at the facility, conducting inspections, monitoring significant work projects, and interacting with plant workers and the public.