

NRC NEWS

U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Office of Public Affairs, Region I 2100 Renaissance Blvd., King of Prussia, Pa. 19406-2713 E-mail: opa1@nrc.gov Site: www.nrc.gov

Blog: http://public-blog.nrc-gateway.gov

Email: opa1.resource@nrc.gov

No. I-12-029 July 2, 2012

Contact: Diane Screnci (610) 337-5330

Neil Sheehan (610) 337-5331

NRC NAMES NEW RESIDENT INSPECTOR AT HOPE CREEK NUCLEAR PLANT



Nuclear Regulatory Commission officials in King of Prussia, Pa., have selected Christopher Williams as the new Resident Inspector at the Hope Creek nuclear plant in Lower Alloways Creek Township, N.J. Williams joins Senior Resident Inspector Fred Bower at the plant, which is operated by PSEG Nuclear.

Williams joined the agency in 2010 after serving in the Navy's Nuclear Propulsion Program for 14 years, including tours as an

Engineering Officer and Reactor Safeguards Examining Board member. After completing a rigorous NRC inspector qualification program, he has been working as a reactor inspector at plants throughout the Northeast carrying out engineering inspections. Williams earned a bachelor's degree in accounting from the University of Florida and a master's in engineering management from Old Dominion University in Virginia.

"Chris Williams has the training, experience and commitment to safety to carry out the NRC mission of protecting people and the environment by helping to ensure the safe operation of Hope Creek," said NRC Region I Administrator Bill Dean.

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 regular inspections, monitoring significant work projects, and interacting with plant workers and the public. Inspectors can serve for up to seven years at any one site.

The Hope Creek resident inspectors can be reached at 856-935-5373.

###

News releases are available through a free *listsery* subscription or by clicking on the EMAIL UPDATES link on the NRC homepage (www.nrc.gov). E-mail notifications are sent to subscribers when news releases are posted to NRC's website. For the latest news, follow the NRC on www.twitter.com/NRCgov.