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NRC NAMES NEW DIRECTOR AND ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL AFFAIRS

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has named Rebecca L. Schmidt as Director, Office of Congressional Affairs and Betsy J. Keeling as Associate Director of that office. Schmidt will join the NRC in October.

Before her new appointment, Schmidt served six years as Associate Director for Budget Presentation and Congressional Liaison in the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller). She began her Federal career in 1983 as a Presidential Management Intern with the Department of the Army. Since that time, she has held a number of progressively more responsible positions including, Chief Management Division, Directorate of Resource Management, U.S. Army Support Command, Hawaii; Senior Defense Analyst and Senior International Analyst, Committee on the Budget, U.S. House of Representatives; Senior Professional Staff Member to the House Armed Services Committee; and Budget Analyst, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller).

Schmidt received a Bachelor's degree in Political Science from Wittenberg University and a Master's degree in Public Policy Analysis from Duke University. She is a native of Ohio.

Keeling was appointed Associate Director, Office of Congressional Affairs effective September 18. She has worked for the NRC for 22 years, coming to the NRC in 1983 as an Administrative Assistant to former Commissioner Frederick M. Bernthal and joining OCA as a Congressional Affairs Officer in 1988. Prior to NRC, Keeling served on the staff of Sen. Howard H. Baker, Jr., as his office manager. She received a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from the University of Tennessee.

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