



NRC NEWS

U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Office of Public Affairs Region IV
612 E. Lamar Blvd., Suite 400
Arlington, TX 76011-4125
Telephone: (817) 860-8128

No. IV-11-001

Contact: Victor Dricks (817) 860-8128
Lara Uselding (817) 276-6519

January 3, 2011

E-Mail: opa4@nrc.gov

NRC NAMES NEW SENIOR RESIDENT INSPECTOR AT PALO VERDE NUCLEAR POWER PLANT



The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission has selected Tony Brown as the new senior resident inspector at the Palo Verde Nuclear power plant located 60 miles west of Phoenix, Ariz.

“Tony Brown’s background and regulatory experience will assist the NRC in carrying out its mission of protecting people and the environment and ensuring the safe operation of nuclear power plants,” said NRC Region IV Administrator Elmo E. Collins.

Brown joined the NRC in 2004 and most recently was the resident inspector at the Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant. He began his career as an electronics technician in the U.S. Navy and became a division officer onboard the USS Oklahoma City submarine in Norfolk, Va. Brown holds a master’s degree in engineering management from Old Dominion University and a bachelor’s degree in bioenvironmental science from Texas A&M University. He also has a certificate in Advanced International Affairs from Texas A&M’s Bush School of Government and Public Service. Brown is currently a lieutenant commander in the U.S. Navy Reserves.

Each U.S. commercial nuclear power plant site has at least two NRC resident inspectors. Brown joins resident inspectors Mica Baquera and Joseph Bashore. They serve as the agency’s eyes and ears at the facility, conducting inspections and monitoring significant work projects.

The Palo Verde resident inspectors can be reached at: (623) 386-3638.

###

NRC news releases are available through a free list serve subscription at the following Web address: <http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/listserver.html> . The NRC homepage at www.nrc.gov also offers a SUBSCRIBE link. E-mail notifications are sent to subscribers when news releases are posted to NRC's Web site.