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NRC NAMES MARK A. SATORIUS AS DIRECTOR OF FEDERAL AND STATE MATERIALS AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS



The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has announced the selection of Mark A. Satorius as Director of the Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs (FSME). He will assume his new duties in early October.

He succeeds Charles L. Miller, who after a long and distinguished career, is retiring. Since 2009, Satorius has served as regional administrator, Region III in Lisle, Ill. His successor there will be named later.

"I congratulate Mark Satorius on his appointment to this very important post," said NRC Chairman Gregory B. Jaczko. "Throughout his exemplary career, he has made an important contribution to the agency's mission of protecting public health, safety and the environment in the regulation of nuclear materials."

In his new position, Satorius will oversee the office activities and the regulatory framework for the safe and secure use of nuclear materials, medical, industrial, academic and commercial applications, uranium recovery activities, low-level radioactive waste sites, and the decommissioning of previously operating nuclear facilities and power plants. In addition, he will work with federal agencies, states, and tribal and local governments on regulatory matters.

Satorius first joined the NRC staff in 1989 as an operating licensing examiner in Region IV (Arlington, Texas), and then as a reactor inspector and senior project engineer in that region. He served in a number of senior management positions in headquarters that include deputy director in the Office of Enforcement, chief of regional operations and program management staff in the Office of the Executive Director for Operations, and chief of the performance assessment section in the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation. In 2004, he returned to Region IV as deputy director of reactor projects, the organization responsible for staffing and supporting the Resident Inspector program. He was later promoted to Region III as the director of reactor projects and later deputy regional administrator.

Satorius earned a Bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the United States Naval Academy and served as a nuclear-trained submarine officer.

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