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NRC ASSIGNS NEW RESIDENT INSPECTOR TO SUMMER NUCLEAR PLANT

U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission officials have selected Ellery Coffman as the new resident inspector at the Summer nuclear power plant near Jenkinsville, S.C., about 26 miles northwest of Columbia. Coffman joins Senior Resident Inspector John Zeiler and Site Secretary Pamela Bush.



Coffman joined the agency's headquarters office in 2006. At headquarters, he completed a number of rotational assignments under the agency's Nuclear Safety Professional Development Program, a two-year regimen that provides specialized training in nuclear safety and a broad perspective of NRC regulatory activities.

In 2008, Coffman transferred to the NRC's Region III offices, where he completed a rigorous inspector qualification program and was assigned as a region-based engineering inspector. Prior to joining the NRC, Ellery worked in the private sector as a high voltage design engineer. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering, a Master's degree in Electrical Engineering and a Master's degree in Business Administration, all from Kansas State University.

"Ellery Coffman has the experience and commitment to safety necessary to carry out the NRC's mission of protecting people and the environment and help ensure the safe operation of the Summer plant," said NRC Region II Administrator Luis Reyes.

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. Resident inspectors can be assigned to any one site for up to seven years.

The Summer plant resident inspectors can be reached by calling 803-345-5683.

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