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NEW SENIOR RESIDENT INSPECTOR NAMED AT SOUTH TEXAS PROJECT

Nuclear Regulatory Commission officials in Arlington, Texas, have selected John Dixon as the new senior resident inspector at the South Texas Project nuclear plant.

South Texas Project operates the plant near Bay City, Texas. The NRC has two inspectors assigned to the plant, which has two reactors. Dixon joins Resident Inspector Joe Taylor. He replaces Jeff Cruz, who accepted a position at NRC Headquarters in Bethesda, Maryland.

“John Dixon’s experience and commitment to safety will help the NRC ensure that South Texas Project conducts operations with the highest safety standards to protect the public health and safety,” said NRC Region IV Administrator Bruce S. Mallett.

Dixon joined the NRC in 2002 as a reactor engineer and project engineer in the Division of Reactor Projects. He is currently a resident inspector at Arkansas Nuclear One, where he has worked since 2003. He has a Bachelor’s degree and a Master’s degree in nuclear engineering from Texas A&M University. Before joining the NRC, Dixon worked for Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory where he achieved Submarine Engineer qualifications and taught Naval Nuclear Propulsion in Charleston, S.C.

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

The South Texas Project resident inspectors can be reached at: 361-972-2507.

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