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NEW SENIOR RESIDENT INSPECTOR NAMED AT INDIAN POINT 2

Nuclear Regulatory Commission officials in King of Prussia, Pa., have selected Mark R. Cox as the senior resident inspector at the Indian Point 2 nuclear power plant in Buchanan, N.Y.

Entergy Northeast operates both Indian Point 2 and 3. The NRC has two inspectors assigned to each unit. Cox replaces Peter Habighorst who took a position at NRC Headquarters in Rockville, Md. Tom Hispchman and Brian Wittick are the NRC resident inspectors at Unit 3.

"Mark Cox's experience and commitment to safety will help the NRC ensure that Indian Point 2 conducts operations with the highest safety standards to protect the public health and safety," said NRC Region I Administrator Samuel J. Collins

Cox joined the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in May 2002 and was most recently assigned as the resident inspector at Indian Point 2. Previously, he served in the United States Navy's nuclear program. He earned a bachelor's of science degree in nuclear engineering and engineering physics from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI) in Troy, N.Y., and is currently pursuing a master's of science in electric power engineering from RPI.

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 Indian Point 2 resident inspectors can be reached at 914/739-9360.

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