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### **COMMISSIONER DR. NILS J. DIAZ TO BE SWORN IN FOR SECOND TERM**

Dr. Nils J. Diaz will be sworn in for a second term as a Commissioner of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission on October 4 by the Honorable Mel Martinez, U.S. Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, in a ceremony at NRC headquarters in Rockville, Maryland.

By a voice vote on September 26, the Senate confirmed Dr. Diaz to serve a second term as an NRC Commissioner through June 30, 2006.

Dr. Diaz was first sworn in as a Commissioner in 1996, after a distinguished career spanning a quarter century as an educator, research scientist, consultant and entrepreneur in such fields as nuclear engineering, nuclear power sources in space and medical and industrial applications of radioisotopes.

Before joining the NRC, Dr. Diaz was a professor of nuclear engineering at the University of Florida and Director of the Innovative Nuclear Space Power and Propulsion Institute, a national consortium of universities and industry. Dr. Diaz received a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Villanova, in Cuba, and both a Master of Science and Ph. D. degrees from the University of Florida in nuclear engineering sciences.

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