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NRC ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT OF RUSSELL
AS HEAD OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission announced that William T. Russell, Director of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR), will retire September 26.

Frank J. Miraglia, Deputy Director of NRR, will serve as acting director until the position is permanently filled.

Ashok Thadani, Associate Director for Technical Review, NRR, will become the acting deputy director.

Mr. Russell assumed his position as Director of NRR in March 1994, after serving as Regional Administrator for the NRC's Region I office from 1987 to 1990 and Associate Director for Inspection and Technical Assessment, NRR, from 1990 to 1994. Previously he served in a number of technical management positions after joining the agency in 1976.

Mr. Russell received the presidential Meritorious Rank Award in 1988.

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