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NRC Assigns New Resident Inspector to Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant

Nuclear Regulatory Commission officials in Atlanta have selected Adam Ruh to serve as the new resident inspector at the Browns Ferry nuclear plant, located near Athens, Ala., about 32 miles west of Huntsville. Ruh joins Senior Resident Inspector Dave Dumbacher and Resident Inspector Tom Stephen at the plant, which is operated by the Tennessee Valley Authority.

In 2012, Ruh joined the NRC as a project engineer in the Region II office in Atlanta.



Before joining the agency, Ruh served as a U.S. Navy civilian engineer for seven years. At Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Ruh provided engineering support for overhauling and deactivating Los-Angeles class and Ohio-class submarines. While with the Supervisor of Shipbuilding, Conversion & Repair in Newport News, Ruh provided government oversight of the engineering work performed by the shipbuilding contractor (Newport News Shipbuilding), which including overhaul of Nimitz-class aircraft carriers as well as construction, qualification, testing, and certification of Virginia-class submarines and Ford-class aircraft carriers.

Ruh graduated with highest honors and received a Bachelor of Science in mechanical engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology. Ruh graduated cum laude with a Bachelor of Science in mathematics from Georgia Southwestern State University. Ruh has graduated with a Master of Engineering degree from Old Dominion University.

“Adam Ruh has the dedication and experience to carry out the NRC mission of protecting people and the environment by helping ensure the safety of the Browns Ferry plant,” said NRC Region II Administrator Victor McCree.

At least two NRC resident inspectors are assigned to each operating U.S. commercial nuclear plant. They serve as the agency’s eyes and ears at the facility, conducting inspections, monitoring major work projects, and interacting with plant workers and the public. Resident inspectors can serve at one site for up to seven years.

The Browns Ferry resident inspectors can be reached at 256-729-6196.