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NRC Names New Resident Inspector at Salem Nuclear Generating Station



Nuclear Regulatory Commission officials have selected Steven Quiroga as the new resident inspector at the Salem Nuclear Generating Station. The two-unit plant in Hancock's Bridge, New Jersey, is operated by PSEG Nuclear LLC. He joins Senior Resident Inspector Jigar Patel at Salem.

“Steven’s experience, education and training make him the ideal candidate for this position,” said NRC Region I Administrator Ray Lorson. “I am confident he and Jigar will continue to ensure the Salem units operate safely and meet NRC’s safety requirements.”

Quiroga joined the NRC in December 2023 as a project engineer in the Region I Division of Operating Reactor Safety. Prior to joining the NRC, he worked as a nuclear engineer for Naval Sea Systems Command at the Norfolk Naval Shipyard. He served in the U.S. Army Reserve and was deployed to Afghanistan in 2013. Quiroga earned a bachelor’s degree in nuclear engineering from Penn State University.

Each U.S. commercial nuclear power plant site in the United States has at least two resident inspectors who monitor day-to-day operations at the plant. They serve as the agency’s eyes and ears at the facility, conducting inspections, monitoring significant work projects and interacting with plant workers and the public.