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## NRC COMMISSIONER DIAZ TO MEET WITH NEWS MEDIA FOLLOWING VISIT TO PALO VERDE NUCLEAR PLANT

Commissioner Nils J. Diaz of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission will hold a news briefing this week after a visit to the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station. Dr. Diaz will provide a perspective on Palo Verde's recent performance and related topics and be available for questions from the news media.

The briefing is scheduled for 4:15 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 19 in Room Two South of the Arizona Public Service Co. headquarters, 400 N. Fifth St. in downtown Phoenix.

Later on Wednesday, Dr. Diaz will be a guest at a reception hosted by the Arizona Hispanic Chamber of Commerce at the America West Arena.

The NRC regulates commercial nuclear reactors and other users of radioactive materials. It has resident inspectors stationed at Palo Verde and other plants. A five-member Commission appointed by the President oversees and sets policy for the agency. Commissioners serve five-year terms.

Dr. Diaz was named to the Commission in August 1996 after a distinguished career 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.