



NRC NEWS

U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Office of Public Affairs Telephone: 301/415-8200

Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

E-mail: opa.resource@nrc.gov

Site: <http://www.nrc.gov>

No. 10-152

September 1, 2010

NRC ACCEPTS “BEST PLACE TO WORK” HONORS

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission, a 4,000-strong independent federal safety regulator dedicated to protecting people and the environment, has for the third time in succession been named the “*Best Place to Work*” in the federal government by the Partnership for Public Service.

The selection, in cooperation with the American University Institute for the Study of Public Policy Implementation, also marked the first time since the inception of the survey of federal employees that any agency has ranked at the top in all four survey categories. The categories are: Leadership and Knowledge Management, Results-oriented Performance Culture, Talent Management, and Job Satisfaction.

The NRC, created by Congress in 1974 and headquartered in Rockville, Md., is responsible for regulating and overseeing the safety of commercial nuclear reactors and the safe use of radioactive materials. It has regional offices outside of Philadelphia, in Atlanta, and near Chicago and Dallas.

“I want to thank the managers and staff of the NRC for making this award possible by their dedication to this agency’s important public health and safety mission,” said NRC Chairman Gregory B. Jaczko. “We are proud to be a part of the federal family and appreciate the work the Office of Personnel Management, the Partnership for Public Service and American University do to recognize the efforts and commitment of civil servants across the federal government.

The *Best Places to Work* rankings are the most comprehensive and authoritative rating and analysis of employee engagement in the federal government. They are compiled by the Partnership using data from the Office of Personnel Management’s government-wide Federal Employee Viewpoint Survey. The survey measures employees’ perceptions of whether, and to what extent, conditions characterizing successful organizations are present in their agencies. This year more than 260,000 federal employees responded to the survey.

The NRC also won the honor of “Best Place to Work” in 2007 and 2009 when the survey was taken biennially.

###

News releases are available through a free *listserv* subscription at the following Web address: <http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/listserver.html>. The NRC homepage at www.nrc.gov also offers a SUBSCRIBE link. E-mail notifications are sent to subscribers when news releases are posted to NRC's Web site.