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DOUGLAS DEAROLPH SELECTED TO ATTEND U.S. NAVAL WAR COLLEGE

Oak Ridge, Tenn. -- Douglas Dearolph, of the National Nuclear Security Administration's Y-12 Site Office, has been selected to attend the U.S. Naval War College in residence.

The Naval War College, located in Newport, Rhode Island, is one of the highly select Senior Service Schools and an international crossroads where corporate, academic and government leaders meet to exchange innovative ideas that shape American and international economic, diplomatic and military policy options.

Dearolph serves as the Assistant Manager for Engineering, Safety, Environment for the NNSA's Y-12 Site Office (YSO). Since 2004, he has been responsible for Federal engineering, environmental, emergency management, radiation protection, and safety and health programs at the Y-12 National Security Complex in Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

Theodore Sherry, Y-12 Site Office Manager, said, "It is huge honor to be selected as the NNSA representative for this unique academic opportunity. Each year, over twenty agencies and departments of the executive branch take advantage of the program to further educate their most promising senior civilian executives."

Dearolph will begin the rigorous 10-month long senior course curriculum in the College of Naval Warfare this coming August and will also earn a Master of Arts degree in national security and strategic studies.

Dearolph has more than 29 years of experience in the nuclear and chemical-nuclear fields. He joined the YSO staff in September 2000 as the YSO senior official responsible for safety basis programs and was responsible for technical oversight of the management and operating contractor's safety analyses programs for non-reactor nuclear and chemically hazardous non-nuclear Defense Program facilities. He previously oversaw nuclear and criticality safety and nuclear startup programs at the Department of Energy's (DOE) Savannah River Site (SRS), Aiken, South Carolina, from 1989 to 2000.

Dearolph is a veteran of the U.S. Navy nuclear propulsion program. He completed both division officer and department head tours aboard nuclear submarines while supervising pressurized water reactor operations. In addition to at-sea operations, his assigned submarines completed several maintenance outages and one major overhaul, which included start-up testing and sea trials. Dearolph completed certification as a Chief Nuclear Engineer by the DOE Naval Reactors Branch.

Dearolph holds a B. S. degree in mathematics from the University of South Carolina and a Masters in business administration from Georgia State University. He and his wife, Bonnie, live in Knoxville. They have two grown sons.

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