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New Director Appointed to head Radiation Control

Salt Lake City, Utah – Rusty Lundberg, a former branch manager overseeing solid waste, will become the director of the Division of Radiation Control, replacing Dane Finerfrock who retires at the end of June.

Amanda Smith, executive director of the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), recently announced his appointment to begin July 1.

“Rusty has excellent management and leadership skills, and will do an outstanding job in the Division of Radiation Control,” Smith said.

Lundberg has been with DEQ for 25 years, most recently serving as manager of the Energy and Sustainability Group, where he represented Utah on The Climate Registry and participation in the Western Climate Initiative.

A 1979 graduate of University of Utah, Lundberg received a Bachelor of Science degree in meteorology. After college he managed the environmental programs for the oil shale company Geokinetics, Inc. before coming to DEQ where he served for over 15 years as the branch manager overseeing solid waste for the Division of Solid and Hazardous Waste.

Lundberg said he looks forward to his new position.

“I think there’s an opportunity to complement the Department’s successful efforts to address environmental concerns and issues that improve the quality of life in Utah and the Division of Radiation Control has an important role in that.”

Lundberg, 57, lives in Murray with his wife, Ruth. They have three grown children.

The Division of Radiation Control, a division of DEQ, regulates commercial low-level radioactive waste facilities, uranium mills and conducts X-ray inspections while promoting radon testing.

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