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The Senate confirmed Monica Regalbuto as Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management and Jonathan Elkind as Assistant Secretary for International Affairs at the Department of Energy (DOE) on August 5. The voice-vote confirmation ended a lengthy waiting process for the nominees who were originally nominated in late 2013 and early 2014, respectively.

Dr. Regalbuto previously served as head of DOE's Office of Environmental Management, where she oversaw cleanup of nuclear facilities. She has also worked at the DOE Office of Nuclear Energy and Argonne National Laboratory.

Mr. Elkind previously served as the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for the Office of Policy and International Affairs. He has also worked at the Brookings Institution, focusing on energy security and foreign policy, and at the U.S. National Security Council.

Sources: Department of Energy, E&E News
