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The President today announced his intention to nominate Richard W. Roberts of Bethesda, Maryland, as an Assistant Administrator of Energy Research and Development. This is a new position created by Public Law 93-438 of October 11, 1974. In this capacity he will be responsible for nuclear energy.

Since February, 1973, Mr. Roberts has been Director of the National Bureau of Standards. He joined the General Electric Company in October, 1965, as Manager of the Structural Reactions Branch and in January, 1968, became Manager of the Physical Chemistry Laboratory. From September, 1968, until February, 1973, he was Manager of the Materials Science and Engineering for General Electric. From August, 1960, until October, 1965, he was with the Polymer Interface Studies as a Physical Chemist in Chemistry Research and during September, 1964, until February, 1965, he was Acting Manager.

Mr. Roberts was born on January 12, 1935, in Buffalo, New York, and received his B. S. degree from the University of Rochester in 1956. He received his Ph. D. degree from Brown University in 1960. He also did additional post doctorate work at the National Bureau of Standards from 1959 to 1960.

Mr. Roberts is married to the former Carol Jean Elmer and they have two children.

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