

Obama nominates asst. AF secretary for environment

July 8 -- President Obama has nominated Terry A. Yonkers as assistant secretary of the Air Force for installations and the environment.

Yonkers is senior vice president of business development for Arcadis, a consulting, engineering and management company. Yonkers has been working with federal clients on engineering, energy and environmental programs, according to the White House.

Yonkers previously served as the acting deputy assistant secretary of the Air Force for Environment, Safety and Occupational Health and as director of environmental programs for the Air Force's Base Conversion Agency.

His career in public service spans 22 years with the Air Force as well as six years of private sector experience with companies including Southern California Edison Co. and TRW.

Yonkers earned a master's degree in public administration from George Mason University in Fairfax, Va., and is a graduate of the National Defense University's Industrial College of the Armed Forces at Fort McNair, in Washington, D.C.

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