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## **NRC ANNUAL NUCLEAR SAFETY RESEARCH CONFERENCE TO BE HELD OCTOBER 28 - 30 IN WASHINGTON, D.C.**

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) will hold its Nuclear Safety Research Conference on October 28 - 30 at the Marriott Metro Center in Washington, D.C.

The conference, which is open to public participation, will run from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday, and from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday. The Marriott Metro Center is located at 775 Twelfth Street N.W., Washington, D.C., adjacent to the Metro Center subway station.

Guest speakers and panelists will include NRC Chairman Richard A. Meserve, as well as Commissioners Greta J. Dicus, Edward McGaffigan, Jr., Jeffrey S. Merrifield and NRC Executive Director for Operations, William D. Travers. Also participating will be representatives from foreign organizations, industry, government and the research community.

The annual conference, which will feature three panel discussions, will focus on major issues of interest to the nuclear community. Participants include researchers, regulators, and utility representatives from the United States and more than 20 other countries. It is a leading forum for attendees and participants to interact with NRC staff and colleagues to discuss the results and insights obtained from the agency's research program, as well as take a look at planned research activities.

This year's agenda includes technical sessions on research relating to the degradation of reactor coolant pressure boundary materials, advanced nuclear reactors, nuclear fuels, dry cask storage and transportation of spent nuclear fuel. It also includes sessions on the control of slightly radioactively contaminated materials, and probabilistic risk assessment methods, analyses and operational experience.

Those who wish to attend the conference are encouraged to review this year's agenda in detail, as well as register in advance, at [www.bnl.gov/NSRC](http://www.bnl.gov/NSRC), or by contacting Sandra Nesmith at [www.srn@nrc.gov](mailto:www.srn@nrc.gov).

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