

October 30, 2006

Mr. Jukka Laaksonen  
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Dear Mr. Laaksonen:

Thank you for your letter and invitation to participate in the 3<sup>rd</sup> International Workshop of the NEA Working Group on Public Communication of Regulatory Organizations. Unfortunately, I will not be able to participate because of a scheduling conflict. We are continuing our efforts to arrange for another senior U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) official to make a keynote presentation and chair a session as you requested. The Office of International Programs will contact you separately with suggestions for another NRC participant for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Dale E. Klein