

December 4, 2012

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Dear Mr. Brown:

It is my sincere pleasure to invite you to speak at NRC's 25th Annual U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Information Conference (RIC). The Conference will be held on March 12-14, 2013, at the Bethesda North Marriott Hotel and Conference Center, 5701 Marinelli Road, North Bethesda, MD 20852.

The 3-day annual conference is co-sponsored by the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation and the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, and brings together more than 3,000 participants from over 30 countries representing interested parties from government, industry, international agencies, other interested stakeholders and members of the public. The RIC provides an open forum for stakeholders to learn, share, and discuss information on significant and timely nuclear regulatory activities, processes, and emergent issues.

We request your participation as a panelist on a technical session entitled, *Status and Path Forward on the Management of Gas Accumulation in Nuclear Power Plant Systems*, chaired by NRC's Chris Jackson, NRR. The session is scheduled for Tuesday March 12, 2013 from 3:30 PM to 5:00 PM. The session will give participants an opportunity to learn the status of various actions by both NRC and industry related to gas accumulation and management and to create awareness of the technical issues and possible solutions associated with gas accumulation and management. Your presentation and the presentations of other panel members will help engage dialogue and stimulate questions and comments from session participants.

Jennifer Gall, NRR will be the Coordinator for this session, and can be reached at (301) 415-3253 and Jennifer.Gall@nrc.gov.

Upon acceptance, please complete and return the enclosed Speaker Information and Confirmation, biographical information and signed External Speaker Agreement to Jennifer Gall by **December 17, 2012**, to ensure inclusion in the final printed program.

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Also enclosed is a tentative program overview, for your information. I look forward to your participation this year.

Sincerely,

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Christopher Jackson
Chief, Reactor Systems Branch
Division of Safety Systems
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SPEAKER INFORMATION and CONFIRMATION

Session Information (Session Chair or Coordinator to Complete):

Status and Path Forward on the Management of Gas Accumulation in Nuclear Power Plant Systems

Tuesday March 12, 2013 from 3:30 PM to 5:00 PM

Session Chair: Christopher Jackson DSS/NRR

**Session Coordinator: Jennifer Gall, Reactor Systems Engineer, DSS/NRR
(301) 415-3253 Jennifer.Gall@nrc.gov**

Speaker Confirmation Information (Speaker to Complete):

PLEASE TYPE or PRINT to ensure the information provided is legible. The information you provide below will be included in the online conference program and printed conference program.

- **FULL NAME (as shown in printed program):**
- **FULL POSITION TITLE:**
- **FULL ORGANIZATION NAME (no abbreviations, please):**
- **CONTACT INFORMATION:**
 - **BUSINESS MAILING ADDRESS:**
 - **BUSINESS TELEPHONE NUMBER:**
 - **BUSINESS E-MAIL ADDRESS:**
- **SPEAKER PRESENTATION TITLE:** Pump Roadmap Project

Please Return Completed Confirmation and External Speaker Agreement to Your Session Coordinator by December 17, 2012



Please provide a short bio in MSWord format to be used for your introduction at the conference and for posting on the RIC website.

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Please Return Completed Biographical Information to Your Session Coordinator by December 17, 2012



EXTERNAL SPEAKER AGREEMENT – SIGNATURE REQUIRED

EXTERNAL SPEAKERS ONLY

Speaker information and presentations included in RIC conference materials and on the RIC public website are made available to the general public in advance of the conference and on site at the conference facility.

In order to grant NRC permission to make your information public in RIC conference materials and on the RIC public website, please sign Agreement #1 below and return to Your Session Coordinator by **December 17, 2012**.

If you do NOT grant NRC permission to make your information public, please sign Agreement #2 below and return to your Session Coordinator by **December 17, 2012**.

AGREEMENT #1 (Agree your information can be made public)

I accept the invitation to be a speaker at the RIC and grant NRC permission to:

- *Photograph, videotape, audiotape and post my presentation slides on the public website (Internet); and*
- *Use the aforementioned images in educational and information activities without compensation.*

Please Sign Speaker Agreement Below (signature required):

_____ Printed Name

_____ Organization

_____ Signature

_____ Date

AGREEMENT #2 (Do NOT agree your information can be made public)

I accept the invitation to be a speaker at the RIC, but, I do NOT grant NRC permission to have my information made public. I will inform my Session Coordinator of my request.

Please Sign Speaker Agreement Below (signature required):

_____ Printed Name

_____ Organization

_____ Signature

_____ Date

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**PROGRAM OVERVIEW SKELETON
As of 10/17/2012**

*****IMPORTANT NOTE: THIS PROGRAM IS TENTATIVE. THE TIMES ARE TENTATIVE. THE INFORMATION IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE*****

STANDARD:

Length	2 ½ days
Start Time	8:30 a.m. all three days
End Time	TBD
Total Sessions	TBD (35 – 42 sessions)
Session Length	1.5 hours all 3 days
Lunch Length	1.5 hours Tue/Wed
Lunch Start	TBD
Break Length	30 minutes all 3 days
Regional	Regions I – IV combined session; day TBD

Tuesday, March 12, 2013

7:30 am	8:30 am	Meet and Greet Networking Opportunity – Technical Posters and Tabletops on Display	Various Poster Presenters
8:30 am	10:00 am	Opening Session Welcome and Introductory Remarks Keynote Speaker EDO Remarks	Eric Leeds, NRR Director or Brian Sheron, RES Director Allison M. Macfarlane, Chairman R. W. Borchardt Executive Director for Operations
10:00 am	10:30 am	Networking Break	Break
10:30 am	11:15 am	Commissioner Plenary	
11:15 am	12:00 pm	Commissioner Plenary	
12:00 pm	1:30 pm	Lunch Break	Lunch
1:30 pm	3:00 pm	Technical Sessions	Various Speakers
3:00 pm	3:30 pm	Networking Break	
3:30 pm	5:00 pm	Technical Sessions	Various Speakers

Wednesday, March 13, 2013

8:30 am	9:15 am	Commissioner Plenary	
9:15 am	10:00 am	Commissioner Plenary	
10:00 am	10:30 am	Networking Break	Break
10:30 am	12:00 pm	Special Plenary Session	Eric Leeds, Chair
12:00 pm	1:30 pm	Lunch Break	Lunch
1:30 pm	3:00 pm	Technical Sessions	Various Speakers
3:00 pm	3:30 pm	Networking Break	Break
3:30 pm	5:00 pm	Technical Sessions	Various Speakers

Thursday, March 14, 2013

8:30 am	10:00 am	Technical Sessions	Various Speakers
10:00 am	10:30 am	Networking Break	Break
10:30 am	12:00 pm	Technical Sessions	Various Speakers