



December 17, 2013

Parrish Staples, Director  
Office of European & African Threat Reduction  
National Nuclear Security Administration, NA-212  
U.S. Department of Energy  
1000 Independence Ave., SW  
Washington, DC 20585

Dear Mr. Staples:

It is my sincere pleasure to invite you to participate as a speaker at U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) 26<sup>th</sup> Regulatory Information Conference (RIC). The RIC will be held on March 11-13, 2014, at the Bethesda North Marriott Hotel and Conference Center, 5701 Marinelli Road, North Bethesda, MD 20852.

This 3-day Annual Conference is co-sponsored by the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) 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 fosters an open and transparent communication about NRC actions planned or in progress related to emergent issues, and offers a valuable forum to share different perspectives on technical process and procedure issues and other matters facing the nuclear industry.

We request your participation as a technical session panelist in the session entitled, "Medical Radioisotope Production: U.S. Efforts to Establish a Reliable Domestic Supply of Molybdenum-99," that I am chairing. The session will be held on Tuesday, March 11, 2014, from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., and will give participants an opportunity to learn "why is the production of molybdenum-99 (<sup>99</sup>Mo) a matter of national concern, and how is the United States addressing this important issue?" Your presentation and the presentations of other panel members will help engage dialogue and stimulate questions and comments from session participants.

Cindy Montgomery will be the Coordinator for this session, and can be reached at 301-415-3398 or via e-mail at [Cindy.Montgomery@nrc.gov](mailto:Cindy.Montgomery@nrc.gov).

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We hope you are able to accept this invitation, and if you can participate, we request that you complete and return the enclosed **Speaker Information and Confirmation, Biographical Information, and signed External Speaker Agreement** to Cindy Montgomery by **December 19, 2013**, to ensure inclusion in the final printed program.

Lastly, you can find RIC-related news and up-to-date conference information by navigating from the NRC's official public website at <http://www.nrc.gov/>.

We look forward to seeing you at the RIC!

Sincerely,

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Mirela Gavrilas, Acting Deputy Director  
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