December 29, 2014

Mr. Rodney Baltzer President and Chief Financial Officer Waste Control Specialists LLC Three Lincoln Centre, Suite 1700 5430 LBJ Freeway Dallas, TX 75240

Dear Mr. Baltzer:

It is my sincere pleasure to invite you to participate as a speaker at NRC's 27th Regulatory Information Conference (RIC). The RIC will be held on March 10-12, 2015, 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 (RES), 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 the NRC actions planned or in progress related to emergent issues, and offers a valuable forum to share different perspectives on matters facing the nuclear industry.

We request your participation as a panelist in the session entitled, "International Approaches to Low-Level Radioactive Waste (LLW) Management – Key Issues and Challenges." The focus will be on evaluating international approaches to LLW management and comparing with the U.S. national approach. The session will address waste classification schemes; waste disposal safety criteria; pre-disposal management; LLW generated from nuclear power plants and decommissioning, and LLW disposal options. The session will include presentations by U.S. government, industry, IAEA, and NEA representatives. The objective is to bring together experts from NRC's LLW program, industry representatives, and foreign entities actively involved in developing standards for LLW management, developing LLW disposal facilities, and practicing LLW disposal. Good practices and challenges related to LLW management will be highlighted to support national and international decisions. Your presentation will help engage dialogue and stimulate questions and comments from session participants.

We hope you are available to accept this invitation, and to confirm your participation, we request that you complete, sign where appropriate, and return the three forms enclosed to the Session Coordinator listed below by <u>January 5</u>, <u>2015</u>.

In the event that you are not available to participate, please notify Gregory Suber, Session Coordinator, at your earliest opportunity. He can be reached at 301-425-8087 or Gregory.Suber@nrc.gov.

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Lastly, you can find RIC-related news and up-to-date conference information by navigating from the NRC's official public web site at http://www.nrc.gov/. We appreciate your consideration of this request, and we look forward to hearing back from you soon.

Sincerely,

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Larry W. Camper Session Chair

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