

December 13, 2016

Gary Peters, Director
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Dear Mr. Peters:

It is my sincere pleasure to invite you to participate as a speaker at the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) 29th Regulatory Information Conference (RIC). The RIC will be held on March 14-16, 2017, at the Bethesda North Marriott Hotel and Conference Center, 5701 Marinelli Road, North Bethesda, MD 20852.

Co-sponsored by the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation and the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, the RIC brings together nearly 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 during session T3 entitled: "Process Enhancements for Topical Report Reviews" on Tuesday, March 14, 2017, from 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. This session is envisioned to give participants an opportunity to learn the significance of topical report reviews from a licensing efficiency perspective and a technology innovation perspective, as well as to provide an overview of NRC's continued efforts to improve the effectiveness of the reviews. Your participation and perspective will help engage dialogue and stimulate questions and comments from session participants. We ask that any planned presentations stay within a target time of 15 minutes to allow sufficient time for other panelists.

We hope you are available to accept this invitation. To confirm your participation, we request that you complete and sign the enclosed forms, and return them electronically to the Session Coordinator listed below by **December 19, 2016**.

In the event that you are not available to participate, please notify Cindy Montgomery, Session Coordinator, at your earliest opportunity. She can be reached by phone at (301) 415-3398, or by email at Cindy.Montgomery@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/public-involve/conference-symposia/ric/index.html>.

We appreciate your consideration of this request, and we look forward to hearing back from you soon.

Sincerely,

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Session Chair, RIC 2017, Session T3
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Enclosure:
Confirmation, Biographical Information,
and External Speaker Agreement Forms