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MEMORANDUM TO: Vonna L. Ordaz, Acting Director
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FROM: William M. Dean, Director /RA/
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SUBJECT: APPRECIATION FOR EFFORTS TO SUPPORT THE NUCLEAR
REGULATORY COMMISSION'S 29th ANNUAL REGULATORY
INFORMATION CONFERENCE

We want to express our sincere appreciation for the outstanding support provided staff within the Office of New Reactors (NRO) which helped make the 2017 Regulatory Information Conference (RIC) a tremendous success. There were over 2,200 people in attendance at this year's conference!

As you know, this year presented an unforeseen challenge in that contingency planning was necessary due to the inclement weather brought on by Winter Storm Stella. NRC staff rose to the challenge and effectively implemented changes to the program with minimal impact to the attendees. This was a true demonstration of NRC values in motion and is a testimony to the dedicated staff who helped to ensure the continued success of the RIC. We "weathered the storm" and want to proudly acknowledge the following individuals from your office for their responsiveness, flexibility, and professionalism during the conference:

- Session Chairs: Frank Akstulewicz, Terry Jackson, John Segala
- Session Coordinators: Laurel Bauer, Nishka Devaser, Antoinette Sakadales
- Planning Committee Member: Antoinette Sakadales
- Technical Review Committee Member: Robert Caldwell
- Meeting Scheduler: Haimanot Yilma

Please convey our gratitude for their outstanding efforts in support of this important NRC event. RIC 2018 is scheduled for March 13-15, and we look forward to your participation in next year's conference program.

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