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Mr. Nicholas Irvin
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Dear Mr. Irvin:

It is my sincere pleasure to invite you to participate as a speaker at U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) 31st Annual Regulatory Information Conference (RIC). The RIC will be held on March 12-14, 2019, 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 stakeholders from other government agencies, industry, international organizations, and the general public. The RIC offers participants a forum that promotes open dialogue to learn valuable information about NRC actions planned or in progress related to the regulation of nuclear power plants, other nuclear facilities, and nuclear safety research. In addition, the RIC continues to offer an environment to interact with nuclear industry leaders and share ideas, perspectives, and experiences on matters related to nuclear safety and regulation.

We request your participation as a speaker during our technical session currently entitled, "Realizing Innovation in Advanced Reactors." Chairman Svinicki will serve as the moderator for this session. This session will give participants an opportunity to learn about the innovative strategies to address the unique aspects of advanced reactors. The discussion will engage various leaders on the challenges to be addressed for enabling innovation for advanced reactors. We would like to welcome your perspective and believe your presentation will help stimulate healthy dialogue and in-depth discussion on the topic.

We hope you are available to accept this invitation. To confirm your participation, we request that you complete and sign the enclosed NRC Forms 1105 and 1106, and return them electronically to the Session Coordinator, Lucieann Vechioli by February 20, 2019.

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/>.

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We appreciate your consideration of this request, and we look forward to hearing back from you by February 20, 2019.

Sincerely,

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John Monninger, Director
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Enclosures:

1. NRC Form 1105, "RIC Confirmation Form"
2. NRC Form 1106, "RIC External Speaker Agreement Form"