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**Subject:** FW: RESPONSE - ANS Topical Meeting in Tri-Cities, Washington 2018--NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Dear Colleagues,

Note acceptance from the NRC.

Alan

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**Subject:** RE: RESPONSE - ANS Topical Meeting in Tri-Cities, Washington 2018

Dear Mr. Weber,

Many thanks for your reply.  We are very much looking forward to the NRC participation in this special Topical Meeting.

Given the importance of this meeting, in which key professionals in the radiation field from around the world will be in attendance to assess how changes might be made in our current approach to low-level radiation, we respectfully urge the NRC to send a speaker at the highest possible level.

We would, of course, welcome many more NRC staff to attend the meeting and present papers as they see fit.

Again, thank you for your message. We look forward to a strong contingency from the NRC.

Best regards,

Alan Waltar, Conference Chair

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Thanks, Kathleen.

Mr. Waltar, The NRC plans to participate in the ANS Topical Meeting that you are arranging for September 2018.  We are coordinating internally to designate the most appropriate participant, either from my office or from the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.  I expect that we will determine our planned participant by the end of the month.  We appreciate your invitation and look forward to participating in the topical meeting.

Best Regards,

Mike

Michael Weber

Director of Nuclear Regulatory Research

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**Subject:** RE: RE: REGRET: ANS Topical Meeting in Tri-Cities, Washington 2018

Dear Mr. Waltar:

Per your request, Mr. Mike Weber, Director Office of Regulatory Research (cc’d), will be in contact with you shortly.

Thank you.  kb

**Kathleen M. Blake**

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**Chairman Stephen G. Burns**

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**Subject:** [External\_Sender] RE: REGRET: ANS Topical Meeting in Tri-Cities, Washington 2018

Dear Kathleen,

Whereas I appreciate your message that Chairman Burns may not be able to accept our invitation to be a speaker at the 2018 American Nuclear Society/Health Physics Society Joint Topical Meeting, it is very important that NRC be represented at a high level to ensure achieving our goal of re-examining the standards that guide the regulation of low level radiation exposure.

As Chairman Burns knows, there is now a great deal of controversy regarding the human health effects of low level radiation. There is mounting evidence to support replacing the LNT model, which guides current regulation approaches, with something with a more solid scientific basis.

We believe the subject conference has the potential to be a “watershed” event to provide the justification for a new approach.

Please understand that we are not asking the NRC to take a position at this conference.  Rather, we feel key regulatory associations such as the NRC need to hear the evidence on all sides of the issue and help guide future directions to allow the best science to be harnessed for future regulatory use.

Hence, we respectfully request that Chairman Burns assign a key NRC professional to be his replacement at this conference.

We look forward to his response.

Sincerely,

Alan Waltar,

Conference Chair, Past President, American Nuclear Society

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Dear Mr. Waltar:

Thank you for your kind invitation for Chairman Burns to attend the American Nuclear Society/Health Physics Society Joint Tropical Meeting scheduled for September 23-26, 2018 in Tri-Cities, Washington.

Unfortunately, the Chairman will be unable to attend.

Wishing you a successful event.

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