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Ms. Elizabeth Williford
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Dear Ms. Williford:

It is our sincere pleasure to invite you to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) 34th Regulatory Information Conference (RIC). This year's RIC is scheduled for March 8–10, 2022. It will be a hybrid event, with in-person attendees participating at the Bethesda North Marriott Hotel and Conference Center and virtual attendees participating remotely by accessing the RIC conference platform.

The RIC, sponsored by the NRC Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation and the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, offers an open environment in which diverse groups of stakeholders may learn, share, and discuss information on significant and timely nuclear regulatory activities and emergent issues. The RIC is the largest public meeting the agency hosts, historically bringing together over 3,000 participants from more than 30 countries and representing interested stakeholders from other government agencies, industry, international organizations, and the public. Last year, the RIC took place virtually, which gave the NRC an opportunity to reach a larger audience. This year, with the RIC as a hybrid event, we anticipate reaching an even larger audience.

The technical program offers many dynamic sessions and digital exhibits that tie back to this year's theme, "Preparing for Tomorrow." To complement the program, we invite you to participate as a speaker for our technical session entitled, "*The Future of Incident Response: Leveraging Technology*," and welcome you to present your perspective on the topic to RIC attendees. The Session will address adaptation of technology during the Public Health Emergency, integration of day-to-day tools into response capabilities, etc. We believe your remarks will help stimulate in-depth discussions that are both informative and engaging.

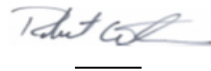
We hope you are available and accept this invitation. To confirm your participation, we request that you complete and sign the enclosed NRC Forms 1105 and 1106, save the documents, and attach them to a confirmation e-mail to the session coordinator, Sally Billings, Emergency Response Coordinator, at Sally.Billings@nrc.gov by **December 16, 2021**.

If you are not available to participate, please notify Ms. Billings at your earliest opportunity. She can be reached via email or at 301-969-6297.

Lastly, the staff has updated the RIC 2022 Web site with current information related to the RIC which can be found at <https://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/conference-symposia/ric/index.html>.

We appreciate your consideration of our request and look forward to hearing back from you soon!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Robert Johnson", written over a horizontal line.

Signed by Johnson, Robert
on 12/15/21

Session Chair

Enclosures:

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

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