

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

September 12, 2017

ALL AGREEMENT STATES, VERMONT, WYOMING

NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE TO THE CHARACTERIZATION AND PLANNING FOR DECOMMISSIONING (H-115) COURSE (STC-17-066)

Purpose: To provide notification to the States of students selected to attend the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) Characterization and Planning for Decommissioning (H-115) course scheduled to be held November 13-17, 2017, in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Background: The NRC provides funding to the Agreements States for training and the associated travel.

Discussion: Students selected to attend the November 13-17, 2017, Characterization and Planning for Decommissioning (H-115) course in Chattanooga, Tennessee are provided in Enclosure 1. Please provide this notification to each individual from your program that has been accepted to this course. Students selected to attend this course will be paid travel and per diem by the NRC. Detailed guidance for students is provided in Enclosure 2. Please inform us of any withdrawals immediately so that individuals on the waiting list have an opportunity to attend.

If you have any questions regarding this correspondence, please contact me at (301) 415-3340 or the individual named below:

POINT OF CONTACT: Marcia Casby E-MAIL: Marcia.Casby@nrc.gov

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Enclosures:

- 1. List of students
- 2. Instructions for students

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November 13-17, 2017 Chattanooga, TN

STATE	PARTICIPANT
MAINE	Catherine Perham
MINNESOTA	Lynn Fortier
TEXAS (TCEQ)	Mohanned Kawasmi
UTAH	David Esser
WYOMING	Ryan Schierman Reid Brown David Adams

INSTRUCTIONS TO STUDENTS

ACCEPTANCE: Individuals listed in Enclosure 1 have been accepted for participation in the Characterization and Planning for Decommissioning (H-115) course. This course is scheduled to be presented November 13-17, 2017, at the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Technical Training Center (TTC). Please contact Marcia Casby at 301-415-6525 immediately if you are unable to attend this course. The TTC is located at 5746 Marlin Road, Suite 200, Osborne Office Center (near Eastgate Shopping Center) Chattanooga, Tennessee 37411-5677. The facility's telephone number is (423) 855-6500.

<u>COURSE</u>: Please see our Web site, http://nrc-stp.ornl.gov/training.html for the Tentative Course Schedule and note that the course begins at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, November 13, 2017 and ends at noon on Friday, November 17, 2017.

LODGING AND TRAVEL: Please plan to arrive on Sunday, November 12, 2017, and depart on Friday, November 17, 2017. Students must make their own lodging and travel arrangements. If traveling by air, please contact El Sol Travel at 844-244-6694 for airline reservations, and indicate that the travel is "Invitational" for the NRC. Please select a fully refundable Government fare if one is available, and make sure that El Sol Travel correctly direct bills your fare to credit card ending 2835. Flights may be converted to less costly, non-refundable tickets, so please select carefully. If the need arises and you must make a change, please contact Marcia Casby at (301) 415-6525.

Please complete the Travel Application Form which will be provided to you and submit to Marcia Casby, AStrainingandtravel.Resource@nrc.gov, at your earliest opportunity, but no later than Friday, September 22. Individuals should request the Federal government rate at the hotels. The per diem for Chattanooga, Tennessee is \$103 for hotel and \$64 for meals and incidentals. The first and last day of travel is calculated at 75 percent (i.e., \$48). A complimentary shuttle has been arranged for transportation between the hotel and the training center for individuals staying at the Residence Inn hotel listed below. Please contact the front desk for details upon arrival. Those students who elect to stay at an alternate hotel will be responsible for their own transportation between the hotel and the training center. If you are authorized to drive, the Federal mileage reimbursement is 53.5 cents per mile. Note that a block of rooms has been set aside for you at the Federal government rate, link provide below.

Residence Inn Chattanooga

2340 Center Street Chattanooga, TN 37421 Phone: 1-423-468-7700

Link to Reservations: http://cwp.marriott.com/chahp/characterization/

<u>DIRECT DEPOSIT</u>: If you prefer this method, please complete the form located on our Web site and follow the instructions on the form. Once you have signed up for Direct Deposit, you are in the system and will not need to complete a new form unless your banking information changes. When it is time to complete your voucher for reimbursement, in the address box enter "Enrolled in Direct Deposit." If you have any questions regarding direct deposit, please contact Gita Patel at (301) 415-6991.