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I would like to extend our warm welcome to all utility, Department of Energy, regulatory and supplier personnel attending the 2002 International ALARA Symposium. This Symposium has grown very substantially since its inception, and now is truly international in topical coverage and participation – a real testament to the growing importance of dose management, best practices and the spirit of international cooperation. The Symposium is sponsored by the North American Technical Center of the Information Systems on Occupational Exposure, which is located in the Department of Nuclear, Plasma and Radiological Engineering at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. We take great pride in the operations and impact of this Center. In fact, we have recently changed the name of our Department to Nuclear, Plasma and Radiological Engineering to reflect our growing commitment to and emphasis on the radiological field and its importance in the nuclear industry.

The symposium features papers and exhibits on the latest approaches in work management, dose control, and dose measurement. These are extremely important and timely topics in a climate of changing regulatory structures, controversy regarding low dose radiation effects and a continued emphasis on operational performance.

We are pleased with the continuing and growing interest shown by the global nuclear industry in this International ALARA Symposium. We wish you a very productive and informative meeting.

Sincerely yours,

James F. Stubbins Professor and Head