

November 6, 2014

The Honorable Marcus A. Rowden  
7937 Deepwell Drive  
Bethesda, MD 20817-1927

Dear Mr. Rowden:

As you may well be aware, this coming January marks the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) as an independent regulatory agency. The NRC is planning a celebration to recognize this important milestone, and I am writing to cordially invite you to be part of the program. As a member of the original Commission and the second Chairman of the NRC, you have played an important role in our regulatory history. Your participation in our ceremony would offer enriching insights about the genesis of the NRC and the foundation upon which our agency is built. It would be particularly interesting to hear your perspective on some of the key issues the agency dealt with upon its split from the Atomic Energy Commission. Other components of the program are expected to include screening of the newest NRC history video in which you appear, recognition of staff members who have been with the agency since the beginning, and remarks from current members of the Commission.

The ceremony will be held in the auditorium at NRC headquarters in Rockville, Maryland, on January 8, 2015, from 1:30-3:00 p.m. We also have extended an invitation to U.S. Representative Chris Van Hollen, and are awaiting his response.

Our NRC Historian, Tom Wellock, will be in touch with you to determine your availability to join us that day and to discuss the best format for your participation. We would very much enjoy having you back at the NRC.

Sincerely,

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Allison M. Macfarlane