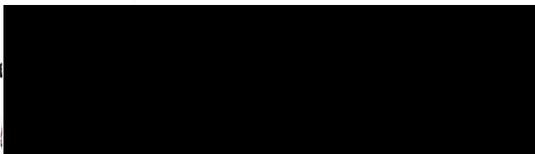


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Witness Disclosure Requirement - "Truth in Testimony"
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1. Your Name: Josephine Piccone, Ph.D.		
2. Your Title: Director, Yucca Mountain Directorate		
3. The Entity(ies) You are Representing: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission		
4. Are you testifying on behalf of the Federal, or a State or local government entity?	Yes	No
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5. Please list any Federal grants or contracts, or contracts or payments originating with a foreign government, that you or the entity(ies) you represent have received on or after January 1, 2013. Only grants, contracts, or payments related to the subject matter of the hearing must be listed.		
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Signature 

Date: 5/11/2015

JOSEPHINE M. PICCONE, Ph.D.
Director, Yucca Mountain Directorate
Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission

WORK EXPERIENCE

October 2014 – Present: Director, Yucca Mountain Directorate , Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS)

Serves as the focal point and manages the Commission direction to implement the Court order on completing the safety evaluation report and the supplement to the Environmental Impact Statement for the high-level waste repository at Yucca Mountain. Serves as the Program Manager for the Center for Nuclear Waste Regulatory Analyses, the NRC's federally-funded research and development center.

March 2013 – October 2014: Director, Division of Spent Fuel Alternative Strategies, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS)

Manages project management, technical evaluation, and licensing support of safety programs for fuel disposition and high-level waste consistent with U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) Strategic Plan and the Nation's policies and laws related to extended fuel storage & transportation, ultimate disposal, and reprocessing of spent nuclear fuel and high-level waste. Serves as the focal point and manages the Commission direction to implement the Court order on completing the safety evaluation report for the high-level waste repository at Yucca Mountain. Serves as the Program Manager for the Center for Nuclear Waste Regulatory Analyses, the NRC's federally-funded research and development center.

June 2010 – March 2013: Director, Division of Intergovernmental Liaison and Rulemaking, Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs (FSME)

Managed program to establish and maintain effective communications and working relationships between the NRC and States, local governments, other Federal agencies and Native American Tribal Governments. Developed, in consultation with the Agreement States and NRC Offices, all rulemaking activities related to waste, materials, transportation, storage, or disposal and security in these areas. Coordinated information exchange to and from the NRC's Regional State Liaison Officers in support of the Agency. Managed allegations involving NRC licensees and Agreement State programs. Participated in international activities in area of responsibility in coordination with the Office of International Programs.

November 2009 – June 2010: Senior Level Advisor for Nuclear Materials Safety and Security, FSME

Performed analyses and provided technical expertise in the development, documentation, and implementation of radiation protection, health physics, and risk-informed regulations to identify

and resolve current issues in FSME and the regions. Provided guidance to senior FSME management on issues related to nuclear materials safety and security and waste management/environmental protection, particularly with respect to interactions with Agreement States, and effective stakeholder interactions with other agencies. Functioned as the Agency lead for safety culture as it related to the national materials program, including guidance to Office of Enforcement in reaching out to the materials licensees and Agreement States, and in the conduct of public workshops/meetings on safety culture.

January 2005 – October 2009: Chief of Staff and Executive Assistant, Office of Commissioner Peter B. Lyons

Provided direct organizational and supervisory support to Commissioner Lyons in planning, organizing and managing the office staff utilization and development. This included: development of office procedures; work tracking, triage and assignment of hundreds of SECY and office tracked actions and over one thousand mail items annually; staff recruitment, selection and performance appraisal; policy, quality, editorial and consistency reviews of office staff generated documents, speeches and draft votes for the Commissioner's review. Analyzed, advised and provided recommendations to the Commissioner on technical and policy matters related to reactor safety, safeguards and security; materials safety and security; budget development and execution; international programs; state programs and information technology requiring the Commissioner's attention, decision, or other action (Lead assistant for policy, budget, international, state, and security issues).

January 2002 – January 2005: Deputy Director, Office of State and Tribal Programs, NRC

Effectively directed the Agreement State Program and the Federal, State and Tribal Liaison Program. This included: oversight of, and technical assistance to thirty-three States, with formal agreements with the NRC to assume regulatory responsibility over certain radioactive materials, to ensure continued effectiveness in protecting public health and safety, and compatibility with NRC's program; management of liaison programs and efforts with other Federal Agencies, State and local governments and their elected representatives, interstate organizations, and Indian Tribes to ensure effective communications with these organizations, and to promote greater awareness and understanding of the radiological safety and security policies and concerns of all parties.

July 1996 - January 2002: Various Senior Executive Service (SES) Management Positions NRC

Positions included: *Chief, Operations Branch, Division of Industrial and Medical Nuclear Safety, NMSS*; *Chief Rulemaking and Guidance Branch, IMNS, NMSS* – established and implemented the first rulemaking branch in NMSS; *Deputy Director, Division of Fuel Cycle Safety and Safeguards, NMSS* – managed overall agency safety policy for fuel cycle and special nuclear material facilities licensed by the NRC. Directed the principal licensing, certification, inspection, environmental reviews, and other regulatory activities associated with these facilities to assure adequate safety and safeguards; *Deputy Director, Division of Industrial and Medical Nuclear Safety, NMSS* - supervised a large division responsible for development of policy, regulations and implementation guidance for the safe and secure use of source, byproduct and special nuclear material in industrial, medical, academic, and commercial activities in cooperation with Agreement States and NRC Regions and other stakeholders. Conducted

rulemakings for NMSS related to materials issues. Responsible for licensing, oversight, support for regulatory decision-making, and the resolution of safety issues resulting from assessments of operational experience; and **Deputy Director, Division of Waste Management (including HLW), NMSS** – supervised a large division of technical staff (about 100) responsible for all waste management and decommissioning activities for NRC licensed activities.

**May 1993 - July 1996: Section Leader, Medical & Academic Section (3/95-7/96);
Section Leader, Commercial Section (5/93- 3/95) NMSS**

**April 1990 - May 1993: Senior Project Manager (Health Physicist), Medical
Academic Section, IMNS, NMSS**

**March 1985 - April 1990: Health Physicist and Senior Health Physicist
NRC, Region I, King of Prussia, PA**

**July 1974 - March 1985: Radiation Safety Officer and Assistant Chief, Nuclear Medicine
Department, VA Medical Center, Wilmington, DE**

EDUCATION

Ph.D. - Medical Radiation Physics, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA

M.S. - Radiological Health (Health Physics), Temple University, Philadelphia, PA

B.S. - Chemistry (Pre-Med), Daemen College, Buffalo, NY

AWARDS/HONORS/RECOGNITION

NRC Performance and High Quality Step Increase Awards, 1988, 1992, 1995

NRC Meritorious Service Award for Scientific Excellence, 1990

Senior Executive Service Promotions/Awards, 1997, 1998, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015

Presidential Meritorious Executive Rank Award, 2005

Senior Level Scientist Performance/Special Act Awards, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2011

PUBLICATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Numerous oral presentations and exhibits at local, national and international professional association meetings and workshops, including Health Physics Society, Society of Nuclear Medicine, American Association of Physicists in Medicine, Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors, Organization of Agreement States, International Atomic Energy Agency, International Conference on Environmental Remediation and Radioactive Waste Management, and International Radiation Protection Association.

Publication of 15 abstracts and articles.