2nd Workshop on Isotope Federal Supply and Demand Thursday, September 19, 2013 Hilton Washington DC/Rockville Hotel & Executive Meeting Center Rockville, Maryland INVITATION

Dear Madam/Sir,

The Office of Nuclear Physics (NP) in the Office of Science (SC) is sponsoring the 2nd Workshop on Isotope Federal Supply and Demand. Workshop participation is limited to representatives of Federal agencies. This one day Workshop is to encourage interactions between Federal institutions to avoid potential communication breakdowns that can lead to shortages of isotopes of critical strategic importance to the Nation. The workshop will take place on **Thursday, September 19, 2013,** at the Hilton Washington DC/Rockville in Rockville, Maryland. The agenda will include plenary sessions, and discussion sessions on the supply and demand for stable and radioactive isotope products. Keynote speakers include Dr. Parrish Staples, Director of the Office of European and African Threat Reduction, National Nuclear Security Administration, and Dr. Gerald Blazey, Assistant Director for Physical Sciences in the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy. Details on the workshop, including a tentative agenda, can be found at: Workshop on Isotope-Federal Supply and Demand.

This Workshop will provide a focus into the use, supply and demand of isotopes from a Federal perspective, in various areas including homeland defense, medicine, agriculture, and basic and applied research. Participants will engage in discussions of their sponsored activities and demands for isotopes. Discussions will also include existing supplies of isotopes, and efforts underway to increase supply of critical isotopes. The results of this workshop will serve as input for a roadmap to increase isotope supply and mitigate shortages of critical isotopes. The discussions will be unclassified unless prior arrangements have been made.

It is imperative that all Federal agencies and departments that have needs or are sponsoring activities in need of isotope products are represented at this Workshop. You will find attached a form requesting information regarding isotope supply and demand of your agency. Please complete this form and return it no later than <u>September 11th</u>. Note that this may take some interaction with your community in order to complete this form.

If you are not the appropriate contact for your agency for this exercise, please let us know and identify alternate staff members who can represent your organization and are knowledgeable about your organization's isotope use and needs. Participation at the Federal Isotope Workshop is complimentary. We are looking forward to your response to this invitation before **August 12th**, by fax (301-903-3833) or email to Brenda May at: SC.IsotopeWorkshop@science.doe.gov. Questions regarding the workshop can be directed to Jehanne.Gillo@science.doe.gov.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jehanne Gillo, Director Division for Facility and Project Management Office of Nuclear Physics, Department of Energy Office of Science

Attachments:
Registration Form
FY 2013 Isotope Supply/Demand Questionnaire - Federal Agencies