4th Workshop on Isotope Federal Supply and Demand November 9, 2015 Residence Inn Bethesda, Maryland INVITATION

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Department of Energy Isotope Program (DOE IP), managed by the Office of Nuclear Physics (NP) in the Office of Science (SC) is sponsoring the 4th Workshop on Isotope Federal Supply and Demand. Workshop participation is limited to representatives of Federal agencies. This one day Workshop is to optimize interactions between Federal institutions to mitigate potential shortages of isotopes of critical strategic importance to the Nation. The workshop will take place on **Monday**, **November 9, 2015**, in Bethesda, Maryland. The agenda will include presentations and opportunity for discussion on the supply and demand for stable and radioactive isotope products. Details on the workshop, including a tentative agenda, will be posted at: <u>Workshop on Isotope Federal Supply and Demand</u>.

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. Discussions will include existing supplies of isotopes, and efforts underway to increase supply of critical isotopes. Potential supply shortages of isotopes will be discussed, as well as efforts to optimize their availability. 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 Microsoft Word form requesting information regarding isotope supply and demand of your agency; an Excel version is also included for your convenience. <u>Please complete one of these forms and return it no later than October 30, 2015</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 October 9th (see attached registration form), by fax (301-903-3833) or E-mail:

<u>SC.IsotopeWorkshop@science.doe.gov</u>. Questions regarding the workshop can be directed to <u>Jehanne.Gillo@science.doe.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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

Director, DOE Isotope Program

Attachments: Registration Form 2015 Isotope Workshop_final.docx 2015 Isotope Supply_Demand Questionnaire - Federal Agencies_final.docx 2015 Isotope Supply_Demand Tables - Federal Agencies_final.xlsx