MEMORANDUM

Date: June 30, 2017
To: College Deans and Department Chairs
From: Andrew S. Weyrich, Vice President for Research
Subject: Announcement of the new Director of Radiation Safety

Dear Colleagues,

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Fred A. Monette, M.S., as the Director of Radiation Safety for the Office of the Vice President for Research at the University of Utah, effective July 1, 2017. Please forward this information to the appropriate faculty and staff in your college.

Mr. Monette brings extensive experience to the position as a board-certified health physicist with over 25 years in radiological protection. He received his B.A. in Physics from St. John’s University in Collegeville, MN, and his M.S. in Health Physics from Colorado State University.

Prior to his current role at the University of Utah, Fred worked for 23 years at the Argonne National Laboratory at the Department of Energy (DOE). While at Argonne, he was a senior health physicist supporting the physics, nuclear engineering, and material science divisions; training and outreach coordinator for the DOE Region 5 Radiological Assistance Program; and a team leader responsible for preparing environmental impact statements for proposed DOE waste management and environmental restoration projects. Furthermore, Fred was a team leader and team member on numerous trips to Russian closed-nuclear cities, monitoring the conversion of Soviet-era highly enriched uranium removed from nuclear weapons to reactor-grade uranium.

In 2013, Fred joined the University of Utah as the Assistant Radiation Safety Officer. He is currently serving as Interim Director of Radiation Safety and will succeed Karen Langley as the new appointed director. Please join me in congratulating Fred in his new position. We are honored to have Fred lead the Office of Radiation Safety (formerly known as the Office of Radiological Health) to continue responsible radiation practices that ensure the public’s health and safety at the University of Utah.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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