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## **Five-Year Plan for 2009-2014**

### **Radiation Protection and Shielding Division**

American Nuclear Society

#### **Purpose or Mission**

The purpose and mission of the Radiation Protection and Shielding Division (RPSD) are consistent with the objectives of the American Nuclear Society (ANS), principally, “the advancement of science and engineering relating to the atomic nucleus and of allied sciences and arts”. The RPSD shall provide, through a group of members of any grades particularly interested in radiation protection and shielding, a means to promote the sciences and arts of that area, within the scope of the Society. The purpose of the Radiation Protection and Shielding Division of the American Nuclear Society is therefore to coordinate the radiation protection and shielding activities of the Society, promote free interchange of information, stimulate research, and promote publication.

#### **Long-Term Goals**

- Hold meetings, or conduct other activities, in accordance with the stated policy of the Society for the presentation and discussion of professional ideas relating to radiation protection and shielding.  
*ANS Strategic Plan A; ANS Strategic Goal A.*
- Disseminate knowledge and information in radiation protection and shielding by discussions, communications, the presentation of papers, and other means of information exchange.  
*ANS Strategic Plan A; ANS Strategic Goals A, C.*
- Encourage the formation of closer professional and, as appropriate, personal relations among the members.  
*ANS Strategic Plan A; ANS Strategic Goal B.*
- Cooperate with other scientific and professional groups having related objectives.  
*ANS Strategic Plan A, B; ANS Strategic Goals C, D, E.*

#### **Recommended Changes to ANS Strategic Plan (if any)**

None.

#### **ANS Strategic Goals (From ANS Strategic Plan)**

- Goal A: ANS will be the recognized leader for the advancement of nuclear science and technology;

- Goal B: ANS will be the members' primary resource for professional development and knowledge exchange;
- Goal C: ANS will be publicly recognized as a credible source of nuclear science and technology information;
- Goal D: ANS will be an active contributor to and participate in nuclear science and technical policy issues;
- Goal E: ANS will be an organization that is flexible, responsive to members and capable of dealing with change.

### **Implementation Plan**

The ANS RPSD will achieve the goals of its strategic plan by the following activities for the next 5 years:

- *Program Excellence:* (responsibility of RPSD Program Committee)
  - Full participation in National Meetings with 3 – 8 sessions;
  - Topical meetings in even numbered year: 2010 (Las Vegas), 2012, 2014;
  - Innovative programs. RPSD introduced code tutorial sessions. “Best of Sessions” from its topical meetings, review papers, and is the second ANS division to provide roundtable sessions.
- *Governance Excellence:* (Responsibility of RPSD Executive Committee)
  - RPSD will strive for excellence in governance as measured by membership participation in RPSD programs, total membership, and ANS Professional Divisions metrics.