

United States Department of Energy  
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# Career Achievement Award

Presented to

***Adolf S. Garcia***

In recognition of his ten years of distinguished service as Chairman of the Department of Energy Nuclear Criticality Safety Program's Criticality Safety Support Group (CSSG). The CSSG was established in January 1998 to provide the Department of Energy with advice on programmatic issues and to help resolve present and future technical criticality safety issues. As the Charter Chairman of the CSSG, Mr. Garcia helped guide implementation of Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board Recommendation 97-2, *Continuation of Criticality Safety*, and mold the CSSG into a highly respected, nationally renowned group of criticality safety experts. Over the last decade, the CSSG has been instrumental in the success of the Department of Energy Nuclear Criticality Safety Program and facilitated resolution of a number of important criticality safety issues throughout the Department of Energy complex. Mr. Garcia's combination of thirty-plus years of experience in criticality safety, national recognition as a criticality safety expert, and close involvement in the development of National Consensus Standards on criticality safety made him the ideal person to lead the CSSG through its first ten years. I want to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Garcia for his invaluable and unique contributions to the Department of Energy's nuclear criticality safety community and offer my best wishes for success as he continues to take on new challenges in the years to come in this important area.



Thomas P. D'Agostino, Administrator  
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