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Greetings!

We would like to cordially invite you to participate in our annual Young Women's Conference on Friday, March 22, 2013 from 9AM until 2PM on Princeton University's main campus. The Young Women's Conference aims to both expose young women to the wide variety of scientific occupations available to them and encourage them to pursue the education and careers in science, technology, engineering and mathematics. We do this through interactive exhibits and presentations given by female scientists.

Registration begins at 8:00 AM. The conference lasts from 9AM until 2PM. Lunch will be served.

Our conference goals include:

- Increasing young women's interest in science, technology, mathematics and engineering
- Providing students an opportunity to meet women working in traditional and non-traditional fields
- Fostering an awareness of the variety of career opportunities available to women

We have an exciting and informative day planned. The students will have an opportunity to meet female scientists and have informal discussions about their scientific career paths. We anticipate 375 young women from grades 7 through 10. Participants will come from schools throughout New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania. For more information, visit the YWC's webpage at http://science-education.pppl.gov/YWC.

As a tour host, we would like to ask you to host three small groups of young women in your laboratory or place of work between 9:00 AM and 11:45 AM. You could discuss your career as a scientist or engineer, your interest in science, and the type of science that you do as you lead the students through a tour of your facility. Each tour should last a maximum of 30 minutes, to allow time for questions and moving from location to location. After the final session, you are invited to eat lunch in an informal setting with some of the young women in the Brush Gallery, inside McDonnell Hall. Volunteers will escort the groups to and from the Frick Chemistry Laboratory or McDonnell Hall throughout the morning, so you can remain in your laboratory.

8:00 AM	Frick Atrium	Registration/Welcome
9:00 AM 9:10 AM	McDonnell A02 to Your laboratory or facility	Moving Group 1
9:10 AM 9:40 AM	Your laboratory or facility	Lab Tour, Group 1
9:40 AM 9:45 AM	Your laboratory or facility to Frick Atrium	Moving Group 1
10:00 AM 10:10 AM	Frick Taylor Auditorium to Your laboratory or facility	Moving Group 2
10:10 AM 10:40 AM	Your laboratory or facility	Lab Tour, Group 2
10:40 AM 10: 45 AM	Your laboratory or facility to Brush Gallery in McDonnell	Moving Group 2
11:00 AM 11:10 AM	Brush Gallery in McDonnell to Your laboratory or facility	Moving Group 3
11:10 AM 11:40 AM	Your laboratory or facility	Lab Tour, Group 3
11:40 AM 11:45 AM	Your laboratory or facility to Frick Taylor Auditorium	Moving Group 3
12:00 PM 12:45 PM	Brush Gallery in McDonnell	Informal lunch with young women

We believe that you will make an excellent addition to the program. Please email me by Friday, January 4, 2013 at amerali@pppl.gov or call me at 609.243.2208 to accept this offer. Also, please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely yours, Aluja Merali

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