

## Meet the New LWRS Program Technical Integration Office Deputy Director

**D**onald Williams, Jr., the LWRS Program's Technical Integration Office Deputy Director since June 2010, retired from Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) on January 31, 2018. Don had over 43 years of combined work experience at the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) and ORNL. He made many contributions to the LWRS Program, and a notable outcome was his collaboration with the Electric Power Research Institute Long-Term Operations Program in preparing (since 2011) an annual Joint Research and Development Plan.

I'm pleased to announce that Dr. Mehdi Asgari from ORNL has agreed to take the role as the Technical Integration Office Deputy Director. Mehdi is a Senior Computational Nuclear Engineer in the Reactor and Nuclear Systems



**Bruce Hallbert**  
Technical Integration Office  
Director



**Mehdi Asgari**  
Technical Integration Office  
Deputy Director

Science with emphasis in Nuclear Engineering, all from Louisiana State University.

Please join me in welcoming Mehdi to the Deputy Director role and thanking Don for his outstanding contributions to the LWRS Program.

Division's Reactor Physics Group at ORNL. He has 30 years of experience solving complex multi-disciplinary problems in nuclear engineering, having held positions in academia (i.e., Louisiana State University), Department of Energy national laboratories (i.e., ORNL and Idaho National Laboratory), and industry (i.e., Global Nuclear Fuel, Studsvik Scandpower). He earned a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering, a M.S. in Nuclear Engineering, and a Ph.D. in Engineering