Vincent T. Covello is Selected as the Seventh Warren K. Sinclair Keynote Speaker

Dr. Vincent T. Covello has been selected to give the seventh Warren K. Sinclair Keynote Address at the 2010 Annual Meeting of the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements (NCRP). The Address, entitled Effective Risk Communication Before, During and After a Radiological Emergency: Challenges, Guidelines, Strategies and Tools, will be a featured presentation at the 46th Annual Meeting of NCRP to be held March 8 and 9, 2010. The Address will be given in the Crystal Ballroom of the Hyatt Regency Bethesda, One Bethesda Metro Center, 7400 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, Maryland at 8:30 a.m. on March 8, 2010. The keynote speaker series honors Dr. Warren K. Sinclair; NCRP’s second President (1977 to 1991) and President Emeritus (1991 to present).

He has been the Director of the Center for Risk Communication located in New York City since 1994. He was an Associate Professor of Environmental Science and Clinical Medicine in the School of Public Health at Columbia University from 1988 through 1993. During that same time period he was Director of the Center for Risk Communication at Columbia. Dr. Covello has served on several committees and editorial boards including the National Academy of Sciences and the Society for Risk Analysis, for which he was a co-founder.

Dr. Covello received both a BA and MA in Social and Behavioral Sciences from Cambridge University, Trinity Hall College in 1971 and 1973, respectively. He received his PhD in Sociology and Social Psychology from Columbia University in 1976. Dr. Covello has published more that 100 papers in peer-reviewed scientific journals and authored or has been an editor of 25 books.

The 2010 Annual Meeting of NCRP has as its theme, Communication of Radiation Benefits and Risks in Decision Making. The W.K. Sinclair Address and the other sessions of the 2010 Annual Meeting are open with no registration fee to all individuals with an interest in radiation protection and measurements.