John D. Boice, Jr. is Thirty-Third L.S. Taylor Lecturer

John D. Boice, Jr. has been selected to give the 33rd Lauriston S. Taylor Lecture at the 2009 Annual Meeting of the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements (NCRP). The lecture, entitled *Radiation Epidemiology: The Golden Age and Remaining Challenges*, will be a featured presentation at the 45th Annual Meeting of NCRP to be held March 2 and 3, 2009. The Lecture will be given in the Crystal Ballroom of the Hyatt Regency Bethesda, One Bethesda Metro Center, 7400 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, Maryland at 5:00 p.m. on March 2, 2009. The lecture series honors the late Dr. Lauriston S. Taylor, the NCRP founding President.

Dr. Boice is Professor of Medicine at Vanderbilt University and Scientific Director of the International Epidemiology Institute in Rockville, Maryland. During his 28 years of service in the US Public Health Service, John D. Boice developed and became the first chief of the Radiation Epidemiology Branch of the National Cancer Institute.

He received a BS in Physics and Mathematics from the University of Texas at El Paso, an MS in Nuclear Engineering and Science from the Renneselaer Polytechnic Institute in 1968, and a SM in Medical Physics from Harvard University. He earned a ScD in Epidemiology from Harvard University in 1977.

John Boice was first elected to NCRP in 1979. He served on NCRP’s Board of Directors from 1990 to 1994, chaired and vice chaired the 1996 and 2006 Annual Meeting Program Committees, respectively. Dr. Boice also served as a member of the 1988, 1991 and 2003 Annual Meeting Program Committees. In addition, he is Vice Chair of SC 1-17 on *Second Cancers and Cardiopulmonary Effects After Radiotherapy* and has been a member or consultant of seven other scientific committees.

Dr. Boice is an international authority on radiation effects and currently serves on the Main Commission of the International Commission on Radiological Protection, the US delegation to the United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation, and the Congressionally mandated Veterans’ Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction.

Among many honors and awards, Dr. Boice received the Harvard School of Public Health Alumni Award of Merit in 2008, the Health Physics Society Distinguished Scientific Achievement Award in 2007, and the Failla Memorial Lecture from the Greater New York Chapter of the Health Physics Society and the Radiological Medical Physics Society. He also received the E.O. Lawrence Award from the U.S. Department of Energy, the Gorgas Medal from the American Military Surgeons of the United States, and was the Health Physics Society R.S. Landauer Memorial Lecturer. Dr. Boice has authored or co-authored more than 400 publications.

The 2009 Annual Meeting of NCRP has as its theme, *Future of Nuclear Power Worldwide: Safety, Health and Environment*. The L.S. Taylor Lecture and the other sessions of the 2009 Annual Meeting are open with no registration fee to all individuals with an interest in radiation protection and measurements.