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## **AMERICAN NUCLEAR SOCIETY PRESIDENT LEADS MISSION TO INDIA**

### ***Presents Address on Nuclear Power Future, Tours Facilities, Promotes Collaboration and Cooperation***

**La Grange Park, IL –September 22** - American Nuclear Society (ANS) President Eric P. Loewen, PhD, visits India next week and leads a distinguished mission to the ANS India Local Section's first Indo-U.S. Nuclear Energy Safety Summit, Interim Executive Director Roger W. Tilbrook announced today. "Dr. Loewen continues with his extraordinary schedule of promoting the promise of nuclear energy and the vital relevance of the American Nuclear Society as he undertakes this important visit to India. Cooperation and collaboration are the foundation of the nuclear community and this visit is uniquely useful in promoting those goals," said Tilbrook.

Loewen, when asked about the trip, said, "My colleagues, who come from academia, the United States Government, and industry, will be able to see first hand what is happening in India, as that country continues to develop nuclear energy in order to provide safe, clean and affordable electricity to a growing population and economy. Of course, as a nuclear engineer, I'm particularly eager to visit some of the leading sites while there."

President Loewen will present an ANS Presidential Citation to Dr. Anil Kakodkar for his critical leadership role in successfully negotiating the Indo-U.S. civil nuclear agreement as Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission and Secretary of the Department of Atomic Energy. He will also present opening remarks at the Indo-U.S. Summit, and ANS will exhibit at the 2011 India Nuclear Energy Expo in Mumbai, the largest of its kind in India.

Loewen concluded, "On this tour, I'll make many new friends and learn a lot about the important issues facing us as we develop and improve collaboration and cooperation between the nuclear communities in our two countries. The

American Nuclear Society is uniquely suited to undertake this kind of role. As a professional society, its members are in the best position to transcend geographical boundaries and to share and learn from each other.”

Established in 1954, ANS is a professional organization of engineers and scientists devoted to the peaceful applications of nuclear science and technology. Its 11,500 members come from diverse technical backgrounds covering the full range of engineering disciplines as well as the physical and biological sciences. They are advancing the application of these technologies to improve the lives of the world community through national and international enterprise within government, academia, research laboratories and private industry.

For more information about the American Nuclear Society, visit [www.ans.org](http://www.ans.org).  
For more information about the Indo-U.S. Nuclear Safety Energy Summit, visit <http://local.ans.org/india/>

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