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GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE MEMO

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To the Accelerator and Fusion Research Division Staff,

Dear Colleagues,

After more than twelve years as Division Director of the Accelerator and Fusion Research Division, Bill Barletta is stepping down to accept the position of Director of the U.S. Particle Accelerator School. He will begin this new assignment in January 2006.

Under Bill's leadership, the Division has been broadly productive. Despite continuing budget constraints, AFRD has developed world-class efforts in such diverse areas as ion beam technology, laser-based accelerators, superconducting magnets, heavy ion accelerators, and ultra-fast x-ray sources. Staff from AFRD have participated in national and international, multi-lab construction projects, including the B Factory, the DARHT radiography facility, the Spallation Neutron Source front-end, and the Large Hadron Collider. Bill has also provided essential leadership for the Laboratory's programs in intelligence, non-proliferation and counter-terrorism. In addition, he recently spent several months serving as the University of California's Acquisition Manager for the successful LBNL contract competition.

A key part of Bill's legacy is the outstanding array of talented scientists who have been recruited into the Division. This has positioned AFRD to make seminal contributions to accelerator science going into the future and will continue to serve the Laboratory and the scientific community worldwide for years to come.

Bill has strengthened the Laboratory throughout his years of service, and I thank him. I know you will join me in wishing him the very best in his new assignment with the U.S. Particle Accelerator School. In the coming weeks I will announce the formation of a search committee to seek a new Director for the Division.

Sincerely,

Steven Chu