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SACP KICK-OFF MEETING

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Dear members of the Society for Analytical Chemists of Pittsburgh:

I'd like to THANK YOU all for agreeing to serve in the 2018-2019 SACP committees. When I first came to Pittsburgh in 1994, Charles Holifield and Dick Obrycki introduced me to SACP and SSP and I have enjoyed every bit of this journey. Like all of you I love the society and the sister society, Spectroscopy Society of Pittsburgh. Together with the SSP, we continue to bring much needed funding to the schools and programs in the region. I encourage everyone to attend our monthly society meetings. With the help of Don Antczak (SSP Chair), we have combined our monthly meetings and reduced the number of meetings from 12 to 6, so that we become more efficient in attending these highly educational seminars. This will help to reduce administrative costs and put the money where it is needed most; like schools and colleges for the betterment of science and education.

I encourage all of you to attend the monthly business meetings and the seminars. I'd like to thank all the chairs, chair-elects, and committee members for agreeing to serve and manage these important programs. We have put together very good technical sessions and hope you will take advantage of these discussions. Our budget has shrunk, yes, but we did not cut any funding for any of our programs. Reducing admin cost and by going green we plan to reduce over 5 to 10 percent of our budget. As you are already aware we do not have any paper handouts, all the information will be provided via email and/or will be on the SACP website.

Thank you for allowing me to chair the SACP for the 2018-2019 year. Thank you again for your willingness to serve and make this year another successful one.

Respectfully,

Amit Ghosh
2018 - 2019 SACP Chair