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TO: Official State Agencies and the NPIP Family

The 44th Biennial Conference of the National Poultry Improvement Plan will be held **June 26-28, 2018** at the Franklin Marriott Cool Springs Hotel. I encourage you to get those dates on your calendar, reserve your hotel room and plan your air travel. The request for proposed changes to be considered at this conference have been distributed and the deadline for submission is **January 26, 2018**. Following receipt and compilation, the proposed changes will be published and available on the NPIP Website by **April 1, 2018**.

Please register for the conference by clicking on the following link:

<https://fs27.formsite.com/capoultryfederation/44thBiennialconference/index.html>

We have a block of hotel rooms reserved for June 25-June 27, 2018 at the conference rate of **\$127.00/night**. You can make hotel reservations by clicking on the following link:

[Book your group rate for National Poultry Improvement Plan](#)

Room reservations can also be made by calling **615-261-6100**. When booking your room, ask for the group code: **National Poultry Improvement Plan** to get the special rate. The deadline to book your room at the special rate is **May 20, 2018**.

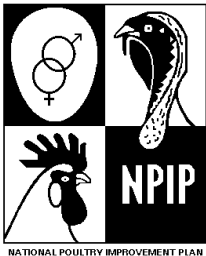
The Franklin Marriott Cool Springs Hotel is located at 700 Cool Springs Blvd. Franklin, TN 37067. An excerpt from their website says it best:

“When you stay at the newly renovated Franklin Marriott Cool Springs hotel in Franklin, TN, your travels begin with energy, style, and luxury. You'll stay near upscale shopping, dining, history in Franklin, while also enjoying close proximity to Nashville just 20 minutes away!”

CEVA Animal Health, Merck Animal Health, and Zoetis Animal Health have kindly agreed to sponsor several events during the Biennial Conference as a courtesy to the poultry industry attendees! There will be a reception and dinner on Wednesday evening, June 27th; buffet breakfast on Thursday morning, June 28th; and coffee breaks throughout the meetings. We sincerely appreciate the continued support of our Diamond Sponsors!

A welcome reception hosted by state associations and allied industries is planned for Tuesday, June 26th for those arriving early enough to attend. Please see additional information attached. We are looking forward to an excellent meeting in Tennessee!

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