Dear John M. Kelsey,

We are sorry to inform you that we were not able to include your paper submission "Threshold and Semi-Blind Hash-Based Signatures" in the program of the NIST threshold cryptography workshop 2019, taking place on March 11--12. We had more submissions than what the workshop agenda can accommodate. Unfortunately, we are not able to accept many submissions that potentially would be of interested to us.

We are sorry for the delay in the notification, caused by the recent US government shutdown.

We may provide additional review comments at a later time.

We intend to engage with the community of stakeholders, so we would certainly still appreciate if you are able to attend. Some preliminary aspects of the program are now online at the workshop webpage: https://csrc.nist.gov/Events/2019/NTCW19 ... we will be publishing more details in upcoming days.

Thank you again for contributing with a submission to the workshop. We hope you remain interested in the developments to come in the standardization of threshold cryptography.

Regards, On behalf of The NIST Threshold Cryptography Workshop Team