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#### **REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION BY A BOARD MEMBER**

Requester: <u>Daniel J. Santos</u> June 27, 2018

#### **Brief description of Requested Action**:

Board Member Daniel J. Santos is requesting that:

- 1. Board Members approve sending the attached letter to the Secretary of Energy.
- 2. Posting the attached letter on the Board's public website following transmission to the Secretary of Energy."

Attachments (init) <u>1</u> (included clean version of any proposed document or modified document)

Summarize any time sensitive considerations:

Requestor signature <u>signature on file</u> June 27, 2018

Executive secretary \_\_\_\_\_\_ signature on file\_\_\_\_\_\_ June 27, 2018

	APRVD	DISAPRVD	ABSTAIN	NOT PARTICPATING	COMMENT	DATE
Bruce Hamilton						
Jessie H. Roberson						
Daniel J. Santos						
Joyce L. Connery						
Final Disposition Summary						
Executive Secretary sign	ature			Click here to	enter a date.	

Jessie H. Roberson Daniel J. Santos Joyce L. Connery

### Bruce Hamilton, Acting Chairman DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES **SAFETY BOARD**

Washington, DC 20004-2901



July xx, 2018

The Honorable James Richard Perry Secretary of Energy U.S. Department of Energy 1000 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20585-1000

Dear Secretary Perry:

On June 26, 2018, the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board issued and made effective Policy Statement-8, Policy Statement on Oversight of Department of Energy Defense Nuclear Facility Standards. This policy establishes the approach the Board will take to review and evaluate Department of Energy defense nuclear facility standards and how the Board will formally communicate to the Department of Energy regarding these standards. We have enclosed a copy of this policy for your information.

Yours truly,

**Bruce Hamilton** Acting Chairman

Enclosure

c: Mr. Joe Olencz

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# Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board

Washington, DC 20004

# Policy Statement

**PS-8** 

Date: June 27, 2018

# **Subject**

Policy Statement on Oversight of Department of Energy Defense Nuclear Facility Standards.

## **Summary**

This policy statement establishes the approach the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board will take to review and evaluate Department of Energy defense nuclear facility standards.

Bruce Hamilton Acting Chairman

#### I. Background

The Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board's (Board) enabling statute requires the Board to review and evaluate the content and implementation of the standards relating to the design, construction, operation, and decommissioning of defense nuclear facilities of the Department of Energy (DOE) (including all applicable DOE orders, regulations, and requirements) at each DOE defense nuclear facility.

#### II. Definition

*Standards*—The Board considers the word "standards," as used in its enabling statute, to include DOE regulations, policies, notices, orders, guides, technical standards, and any other directive that DOE or the National Nuclear Security Administration uses to promulgate policy, requirements, or guidance related to safety at defense nuclear facilities.

#### III. Policy

- It is the policy of the Board to review and evaluate the content and implementation of DOE standards. The Board shall, in the conduct of its oversight role, identify inconsistencies in implementation across the complex as well as best practices.
- The Board will determine which standards will be reviewed on an annual basis and will communicate its determination to DOE, but will reserve the right to add reviews as it deems necessary. The Board will consider standards that have complex-wide effect and establish controls for high-hazard activities, in prioritizing the review of DOE standards.
- Following review of such standards, the Board will issue a formal Board Recommendation to communicate specific measures that should be adopted to ensure that public health and safety are adequately protected.
- The Board will communicate necessary changes in the content and implementation of standards, as well as matters on which additional data or additional research is needed, as part of formal Board Recommendations that should be adopted to ensure that public health and safety are adequately protected.
- The Board will use other statutory tools to gather information from DOE necessary to review and evaluate the content and implementation of DOE standards.
- The Board may formally communicate to DOE its independent analysis and advice regarding DOE standards.
- A summary of all standards reviewed by the Board, their status, and Board disposition will be publicly available on the Board's website.

#### **AFFIRMATION OF BOARD VOTING RECORD**

# SUBJECT: RFBA by Board Member Santos to Approve Sending the Attached Letter to the Secretary of Energy re PS-8

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The Board, with Board Member(s) Jessie H. Roberson, Daniel J. Santos *approving*, Board Member(s) Joyce L. Connery *disapproving*, Board Member(s) Bruce Hamilton *abstaining*, and Board Member(s) none *not participating*, has voted to approve the above document on June 28, 2018.

The votes were recorded as:

	APRVD	DISAPRVD	ABSTAIN	NOT PARTICIPATING*	COMMENT	DATE
Bruce Hamilton			$\boxtimes$		$\bowtie$	06/27/18
Jessie H. Roberson	$\boxtimes$					06/28/18
Daniel J. Santos	$\boxtimes$					06/28/18
Joyce L. Connery		$\boxtimes$				06/27/18

\*Reason for Not Participating:

This Record contains a summary of voting on this matter together with the individual vote sheets, views and comments of the Board Members.

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Executive Secretary to the Board

Attachments:

- 1. Voting Summary
- 2. Board Member Vote Sheets
- cc: Board Members OGC OGM Records Officer OTD

#### DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD

#### NOTATIONAL VOTE RESPONSE SHEET

#### FROM: Bruce Hamilton

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Approved

Disapproved\_\_\_\_\_

Abstain\_X\_

**Recusal – Not Participating** 

COMMENTS: Below X Attached None

The value proposition of this proposed correspondence being ambiguous, I defer to the wisdom and preferences of my fellow Board Members.

I therefore abstain.

**Bruce Hamilton** 

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## DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD NOTATIONAL VOTE RESPONSE SHEET

FROM: Jessie Roberson

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Approved

Disapproved

Abstain\_\_\_\_

Recusal – Not Participating

**COMMENTS:** 

Below\_\_\_\_ Attached\_\_\_\_

None

Jessie Roberson 28,2018

### DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD NOTATIONAL VOTE RESPONSE SHEET

FROM: Daniel J. Santos

SUBJECT: RFBA by Board Member Santos to Approve Sending the Attached Letter to the Secretary of Energy re PS-8

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Approved X	Disapproved	Abstain			
Recusal – Not Participating					
COMMENTS:	Below Attached	None_X_			

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Daniel J. Santos 6 / 28 / 18 Date

## DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD NOTATIONAL VOTE RESPONSE SHEET

FROM: Joyce Connery

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Recusal – Not Participating					
COMMENTS:	BelowAttached	None			

lm Joyce Connery Date