



Department of Energy
Washington, DC 20585

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MEMORANDUM FOR ROGER SNYDER AND TODD LAPOINTE

FROM: INGRID KOLB
DIRECTOR
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT

SUBJECT: Request to Conduct Evaluation of DOE Manual 140.1-1B, *Interface with the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board*, and Provide a Proposed Change of the Manual into an Order

In accordance with the Deputy Secretary's September 1, 2017 memorandum on the Department's relationship with the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (DNFSB) (attached), the Directives Review Board (DRB) is requesting that you conduct an evaluation of DOE Manual 140.1-1B, *Interface with the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board*, for revision and conversion into an Order.

To accomplish this "charge" from the DRB:

- Use the Integrated Project Team (IPT) that developed recommendations for the Deputy Secretary on the DNFSB. Members include:
 - Craig Leasure, Los Alamos National Lab (LANL)
 - Jeffry Roberson, National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA)
 - Mike Schlender, National Laboratory Directors Council (NLDC)
 - Sharon Marra, Savannah River National Laboratory (SRNL)
 - Kirk Lachman, Office of Environmental Management (EM)
 - Robin Henderson, Office of the General Counsel (GC)
 - Emily Stanton, Office of Management (MA)
 - Joe Olencz, Office of Environment, Health, Safety and Security (AU)
 - Field Management Council (FMC) representative is TBD
- Streamline, update, and align the Manual with the policy memorandum developed by the IPT for the Deputy Secretary's consideration regarding interface expectations with the DNFSB.
- Solicit input from IPT member organizations and peers, as well as the NLDC and FMC, as required. If consensus is not possible across the IPT, the Team Chair(s) will provide the dissenting opinions to the DRB for resolution.



- Provide a monthly update to the DRB and proceed in an accelerated manner to submit a draft for DRB review no later than December 1, 2017.

The DRB Chair will serve as the contact for this effort. If you have any questions, please contact (202) 586-2550.

cc: DRB Members
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MEMORANDUM FOR HEADS OF ELEMENTS

FROM: Daniel Simmons, Chair, Regulatory Reform Task Force, and Assistant Secretary (Acting), Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy *DS*

THROUGH: Dan R. Brouillette, Deputy Secretary *DRB*

SUBJECT: Internal Regulatory Reform

MEMO TYPE: DECISIONAL: Authorize Changes to align Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board scope and role with the original Congressional intent.

BACKGROUND/CONTEXT:

As part of the Department's Regulatory Reform activities under Executive Order 13777, Enforcing the Regulatory Reform Agenda, working groups were formed to evaluate areas of shared DOE and Laboratory concerns. The groups were charged to identify internal DOE reforms that could result in significant improvements in efficiency and/or decrease in cost in Laboratory and DOE operations, while maintaining accountability and contractor performance standards.

In addition, proposals for regulatory reform were submitted by DOE Programs in response to the OMB Infrastructure Data Calls. Proposals were also submitted by the National Laboratory Directors' Council in response to the Secretary's request for proposed reforms to make the Laboratories more efficient and effective DOE partners.

From these proposals several focus areas, including re-alignment of the Department's Defense Nuclear Facility Safety Board (DNFSB) engagement, were identified for further development of actions that may achieve the goal of improving laboratory efficiency and decreasing cost while maintaining an appropriate level of DOE oversight. The working group was tasked to analyze the proposals and recommend reforms to achieve the goals of Executive Order 13777. Based on the analysis of proposed reforms by the working group, the following actions are approved to achieve these goals:

APPROVED RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Task the Directives Review Board (DRB) working with Office of Environment, Health, Safety and Security (AU) and all the affected elements of the Department to quickly finalize and promulgate a Secretarial Policy Memorandum regarding DOE internal expectations for working with the DNFSB via an update and replacement of the attached May 9, 2006 Bodman Secretarial Memorandum



2. Task AU via the DRB to codify the resulting Secretarial Memorandum into a DOE Policy, and address the issues raised as part of this reform effort in a DOE Order, replacing DOE Manual 140.1-1B.
3. Task AU and the DOE DNFSB Departmental Representative to develop a messaging and response strategy for communication of DOE positions on future responses and engagements with the DNFSB and Board staff.

NEXT STEPS:

Once the Deputy Secretary has met with the leadership of the Defense Nuclear Facility Safety Board, the responsible offices are directed to take the necessary action to immediately implement the recommendations. A report on the status of implementation is due on the end of each month to the Deputy Secretary Chief of Staff until all actions are completed.