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CLOSED MEETING

DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD

JANUARY 5, 2022

Closed Meeting
Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board

1/5/2023

1 A P P E A R A N C E S

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3 Joyce Connery, Chair

4 Thomas Summers, Vice Chair

5 Jessie Roberson, Board Member

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7 Christopher Roscetti, Acting Executive Director for
8 Operations

9 Katherine Herrera, Acting Technical Director

10 Richard Tontodonato, Associate Technical Director for
11 Nuclear Weapons Programs12 Todd Davis, Associate Technical Director for Nuclear
13 Facility Infrastructure and Projects14 Jonathan Plaue, Associate Technical Director for Nuclear
15 Facility Infrastructure and Projects

16 Katie Heffner, Technical Staff

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18 Kevin Lyskowski, General Counsel

19 Joseph Gilman, Deputy General Counsel

20 Eric Fox, Associate General Counsel

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3 (1:40 p.m. EDT)

4 MS. CONNERY: Good afternoon. My name is Joyce
5 Connery, Chair of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety
6 Board, and we are now on the record. Without objection
7 and in the interest of time, I will give my opening
8 remarks as Chair to the Court Reporter to enter into the
9 transcript in lieu of reading them aloud. Hearing no
10 objection, we will move straight into Board Member
11 opening remarks.

12 Good afternoon. My name is Joyce Connery, and
13 I am the Chair of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety
14 Board. I will preside over today's closed meeting. With
15 me today are my colleagues on the Board, Vice Chair
16 Thomas Summers and Board Member Jessie Roberson. We
17 three constitute the Board.

18 Having established a quorum of Board members,
19 this closed meeting will now come to order. Mr. Kevin
20 Lyskowski, the Board's General Counsel, will serve as the
21 Board's Executive Secretary for the meeting.

22 This closed meeting was publicly announced on
23 December 15, 2022, on the Board's public website. This
24 meeting was subsequently noticed in the Federal Register
25 on December 20. The Board has closed the meeting to the

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1 public per the provisions of the Government in the
2 Sunshine Act, as well as the Board's regulations
3 implementing the Sunshine Act and the Board's operating
4 procedures for meetings.

5 This closed meeting concerns member
6 deliberations pertaining to the development and
7 formulation of potential Board recommendations to the
8 Secretary of Energy. The Board's compliance with
9 statutory provisions permitting closure of this meeting
10 has been stated in the Board's Federal Register notice.
11 Additional documentation related to this meeting is
12 available on our website, www.dnfsb.gov.

13 As a reminder to those who are in attendance
14 and Board employees who may later become privy to these
15 proceedings, the Board and its staff are prohibited from
16 publicly disclosing information described in draft or
17 final recommendations prior to the receipt of the final
18 recommendation by the Secretary of Energy. This
19 prohibition applies to information learned during the
20 course of this meeting or by review of the meeting
21 transcript, related documents, or from other sources.

22 Pursuant to the specific agenda, the Board will
23 deliberate on potential recommendations currently pending
24 before the Board. Following the discussion on each, I
25 will summarize the outcome of the discussion, and the

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1 Executive Secretary will summarize any staff taskings and
2 Board votes. After an opportunity for closing comments
3 from Board Members, the meeting will adjourn. This
4 concludes my opening remarks in my capacity as Chair.

5 Vice Chair Summers, could you state your name
6 for the record and let us know if you have any opening
7 remarks.

8 MR. SUMMERS: Thanks, Ms. Connery. I am Thomas
9 A. Summers, and I have just one remark, and that is I
10 appreciate the opportunity for us to get together and
11 discuss [REDACTED].
12 Thank you.

13 MS. CONNERY: Thank you, sir.
14 Ms. Roberson?

15 MS. ROBERSON: Thank you, Chair Connery. My
16 name is Jessie Roberson, and I have no opening comments
17 for this discussion.

18 MS. CONNERY: Okay. So as Board Member, this
19 is Joyce Connery again, my opening remarks are just to
20 note that [REDACTED]

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1 (Whereupon, the closed meeting was adjourned
2 at 2:25 p.m.)
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