

The Board directs a change in designation to “discretionary” and a reduction in priority from 1 to 2 for all eleven NFDI reviews on aspects of WTP currently described as the highest priority NFDI reviews. (Note: eight of eleven are currently “non-discretionary/priority 1”, while three are “discretionary/priority 1”. This amendment changes all eleven to “discretionary/priority 2”.)

This change requires the following revisions to the draft Work Plan:

- Revise the Gantt chart Figure 4 on page 8, deleting the WTP entries.
- On page 18, revise to read “Highest Priority Activities – NFDI has no high priority reviews.”
- Delete the remainder of pages 18 and 19.

### Justification

The draft Work Plan justifies the high priority assigned to eleven WTP reviews as “due to the combination of dose consequences to the public and collocated workers along with the level of complexity associated with the design of the facility.” However, those two criteria – high dose consequence to the public and high complexity of design – have been true for the past dozen years, and will likely be true for the next dozen. If the priority criteria proposed by the staff remains unaltered WTP reviews will forever be priority one.

Reducing the priority of the eleven WTP reviews places them on a par with the following priority 2 NFDI reviews: WIPP Permanent Ventilation System (four reviews), Plutonium Infrastructure (two reviews), UPF (eight reviews), Y-12 Extended Life Program (one review), and two additional WTP reviews already assigned priority 2.

The short history of our work planning and execution reveals that much work gets deferred. However, the high priority (i.e., priority 1) work has consistently been accomplished. The WTP project does not warrant a designation of high priority such that numerous reviews of that project are almost certain to be performed while the other projects mentioned above are potentially deferred. Assigning the same priority as those other projects provides a more balanced priority and will yield greater management flexibility should our review resources be constrained by unfolding events, as they typically have been.

**AFFIRMATION OF BOARD VOTING RECORD**

**SUBJECT: Amendment by Board Member Sean Sullivan to YELLOW FOLDER Doc#2016-300-027, FY17 OTD Work Plan**

**Doc Control#2016-300-027E**


The Board, with Board Member(s) Sean Sullivan, Bruce Hamilton, Daniel J. Santos *approving*, Board Member(s) Jessie H. Roberson *disapproving*, Board Member(s) Joyce L. Connery *abstaining*, and Board Member(s) none *recusing*, have voted to approve the above document on September 26, 2016.

The votes were recorded as:

	APRVD	DISAPRVD	ABSTAIN	NOT PARTICIPATING*	COMMENT	DATE
Joyce L. Connery	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	09/23/16
Jessie H. Roberson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	09/26/16
Sean Sullivan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	09/22/16
Daniel J. Santos	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	09/22/16
Bruce Hamilton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	09/22/16

\*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:** Joyce L. Connery

**SUBJECT:** Amendment by Board Member Sean Sullivan to **YELLOW FOLDER**  
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**Approved** \_\_\_\_\_

**Disapproved** \_\_\_\_\_

**Abstain**  \_\_\_\_\_

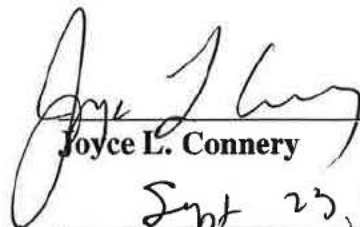
**Recusal – Not Participating** \_\_\_\_\_

**COMMENTS:**

**Below** \_\_\_\_\_

**Attached** \_\_\_\_\_

**None**  \_\_\_\_\_

  
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**Joyce L. Connery**  
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Sept 23, 2016  
**Date**

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

**FROM:** Jessie H. Roberson

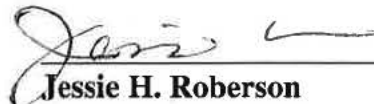
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Approved\_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved\_\_X\_\_ Abstain\_\_\_\_\_

Recusal – Not Participating\_\_\_\_\_

**COMMENTS:** Below\_\_X\_\_ Attached\_\_\_\_\_ None\_\_\_\_\_

**I support the Boar, as a whole, revisiting the prioritization approach approved for staff use but not reprioritizing specific activities based on individual Board Member's preference. It creates an unclear picture of what will actually get done and when. The Board could pursue other avenues to make sure an activity of interest to them actually got done in a timely period without challenging competing interests between Board Members.**

  
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Jessie H. Roberson

  
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Date

**DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD**

**NOTATIONAL VOTE RESPONSE SHEET**

**FROM:** Sean Sullivan

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Approved  X  Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_

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**COMMENTS:** Below  X  Attached \_\_\_\_\_ None \_\_\_\_\_

The amendment pertains to eleven reviews that may be performed by the NFDI group at the Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant (WTP) in Hanford, Washington.

All eleven reviews are currently proposed for assignment in the plan as priority 1 (the highest safety priority), and eight of the eleven are assigned as non-discretionary (i.e., mandatory). The amendment seeks to change the assignment of all eleven reviews to discretionary, priority 2.

The draft Work Plan justifies the high priority assigned to the eleven WTP reviews as being due to the combination of potential high dose consequences to the public and collocated workers along with the level of complexity associated with the design of the facility. However, those two criteria – high dose consequence to the public and high complexity of design – have been true for the past dozen years, and will likely be true for the next dozen. WTP reviews will forever be priority one if the proposed priority criteria remain unaltered.

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Sean Sullivan

9/22/16

Date

**Lotus Smith**

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**From:** Daniel J. Santos  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 22, 2016 4:02 PM  
**To:** Lotus Smith; Shelby Qualls  
**Subject:** RE: Notational Vote: Doc#2016-300-027E Amendment by Board Member Sean Sullivan to YELLOW FOLDER Doc#2016-300-027, FY17 OTD Work Plan

Approved.

**From:** Lotus Smith  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 22, 2016 12:15 PM  
**To:** Bruce Hamilton <[REDACTED]>; Daniel J. Santos <[REDACTED]>; Jessie Roberson <[REDACTED]>; Joyce Connery <[REDACTED]>; Sean Sullivan <[REDACTED]>  
**Cc:** ExSec <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** Notational Vote: Doc#2016-300-027E Amendment by Board Member Sean Sullivan to YELLOW FOLDER Doc#2016-300-027, FY17 OTD Work Plan

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**FROM:** Members of the Board  
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Office Directors have provided their input.

**Approved** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Disapproved** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Abstain** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Recusal – Not Participating** \_\_\_\_\_

**COMMENTS:**

**Below** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Attached** \_\_\_\_\_  
**None** \_\_\_\_\_

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**FROM:** Bruce Hamilton

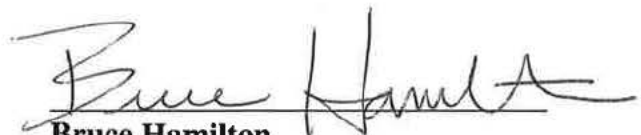
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COMMENTS: Below  Attached  None

  
Bruce Hamilton

22 SEPT 2016  
Date