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The Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (Board) is pleased to announce the assignment of Dr. Jonathan Plaue as a Site Representative at the Department of Energy's Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) in New Mexico. Dr. Plaue will join Mr. Todd Davis and Mr. Richard Verhaagen, the Board's current Site Representatives, starting in November 2013.

As a Site Representative, Dr. Plaue will advise the Board regarding overall safety conditions at LANL and will participate in technical reviews by the Board and its staff related to the design, construction, operation, and decommissioning of defense nuclear facilities. He will also assess LANL's stockpile stewardship activities and design agency support of nuclear weapon operations performed elsewhere in the defense nuclear complex. Additionally, he will act as the Board's liaison with the Department of Energy and LANL management, federal, state and local agencies, the public, and industry officials.

Prior to this assignment, Dr. Plaue served as the Board's Site Representative at the Department of Energy's Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL) in California. Prior to his assignment at LLNL, he served as the Board's technical staff lead for safety oversight at LANL. His earlier assignments at the Board included technical reviews and safety analyses related to nuclear chemical processing, high-level waste treatment and stabilization, and nuclear materials processing and storage.

Dr. Plaue was the 2009 recipient of the Board's prestigious *John W. Crawford, Jr., Award for Staff Excellence*. This honor is bestowed annually in recognition of the staff member who is considered to have provided the most valuable individual contribution to the work of the Board during the previous year either by a single action, or through a continuously high level of effort.

Dr. Plaue holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemical Engineering and a Master of Science in Nuclear Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a Doctor of Philosophy in Radiochemistry from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.