

AFFIRMATION OF BOARD VOTING RECORD

SUBJECT: Designation of Specific Administrative Controls at the Savannah River Site

Doc Control#2017-100-066

The Board, with Board Member(s) Jessie H. Roberson, Joyce L. Connery *approving*, Board Member(s) Sean Sullivan, Bruce Hamilton *disapproving*, Board Member(s) none *abstaining*, and Board Member(s) Daniel J. Santos *not participating*, have voted to disapprove the above document on July 25, 2017.

The votes were recorded as:

	APRVD	DISAPRVD	ABSTAIN	NOT PARTICIPATING*	COMMENT	DATE
Sean Sullivan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	07/25/17
Bruce Hamilton	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	07/25/17
Jessie H. Roberson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	07/25/17
Daniel J. Santos	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	07/25/17
Joyce L. Connery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	07/25/17

*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.


Assistant 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: Sean Sullivan

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Approved _____ Disapproved X _____ Abstain _____

Recusal – Not Participating _____

COMMENTS: Below X _____ Attached _____ None _____

The proposed correspondence seeks a briefing from DOE on practices at SRS. The DNFSB has had full access to Department of Energy personnel and procedures at the Savannah River Site and, as a result, we are fully informed on the matter. I see no purpose in a DOE briefing except to provide an opportunity for individual Members to express their dissatisfaction with the present state of DOE's affairs. That is not the purpose of the Board's authority in 42 U.S.C. § 2286b(d), and not an appropriate use of DOE's time.

42 U.S.C. § 2286b(d) provides, "The Board may establish reporting requirements for the Secretary of Energy which shall be binding upon the Secretary. The information which the Board may require the Secretary of Energy to report under this subsection may include any information designated as classified information, or any information designated as safeguards information and protected from disclosure ..."

The clear purpose of § 2286b(d) is to obtain information. Here, there is no further information to be obtained.

I support sending the staff findings to the Secretary for information and use as he sees fit. Requiring a briefing places an unnecessary burden on the Secretary. I therefore disapprove.



Sean Sullivan

7/25/17

Date

DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD
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FROM: Bruce Hamilton

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Recusal – Not Participating _____

COMMENTS: Below **X** **Attached** _____ **None** _____

The Board should generally practice a narrow interpretation of its statutory authority to require reports. This authority should be used with discretion, such as when information has been difficult to obtain through informal staff-to-staff interactions or when periodic recurring reports on program status are warranted. Such conditions do not appear to exist.

42 U.S.C. § 2286b(d) should not be used as a mechanism to convey either an explicit or an implied inducement for the DOE to carry out an activity or to require the Secretary of Energy to justify his policies or decisions to the Board. In this case, either of those messages may be conveyed.

I therefore disapprove.


Bruce Hamilton

25 JULY 2017
Date

DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD

NOTATIONAL VOTE RESPONSE SHEET

FROM: Jessie H. Roberson

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Below

Attached

None



Jessie H. Roberson
7/25/2017

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Daniel J. Santos

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NOTATIONAL VOTE RESPONSE SHEET

FROM: Joyce L. Connery

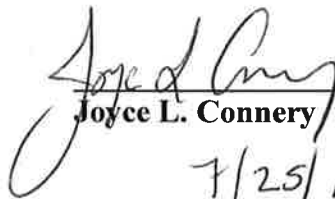
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Joyce L. Connery

7/25/17

Date