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On November 22, 2004, the Senate confirmed the appointments of Dr. R. Bruce Matthews and Mr. Joseph F. Bader to be Members of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board. The appointments became effective on November 30, 2004 with the signing by the President.

Dr. Matthews, of New Mexico, has been appointed for a term expiring October 18, 2005, (vice Joseph DiNunno). He received a recess appointment to this position on April 22, 2003. Dr. Matthews has more than thirty years of scientific and engineering experience in nuclear technologies with a primary focus on nuclear materials for nuclear weapons and reactors. As Division Director at Los Alamos National Laboratory, Dr. Matthews managed nuclear facilities with responsibility for DOE and NASA programs, operations, construction, safety and security. Dr. Matthews received a BS in Metallurgy from Penn State, an MS in Materials Science from the University of Wales.

Mr. Bader, of the District of Columbia, has been appointed for a term expiring October 18, 2007, (vice Jessie M. Roberson). Mr. Bader has held executive and senior management positions primarily in the nuclear weapons complex and nuclear power sectors for Hill International, Inc., Fluor Daniel, Inc., Exxon Nuclear and Westinghouse Electric Corporation. He has conducted numerous program/project reviews and has extensive knowledge of design, construction management and operations of R&D facilities, materials production, and power plants. Mr. Bader set up and managed the Fluor Daniel Arlington, VA, office involved in the DOE Weapons Complex Reconfiguration Program and the Hill International participation in the DOE External Independent Reviews of DOE Projects. Mr. Bader received a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from Villanova University, and an M.S. in Nuclear Engineering from the University of Virginia.