

UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555

June 18, 1990

MEMORANDUM FOR: James M. Taylor

Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Samuel J. Chilk, Secretary

SUBJECT: SECY-90-182 - MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
WITH THE DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY
BOARD

This is to advise you that the Commission has no objections to the proposed MOU with the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board subject to the attached modifications.

Attachment:
As stated

cc: Chairman Carr
Commissioner Roberts
Commissioner Rogers
commissioner Curtiss
commissioner Remick
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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
AND
DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD

Purpose

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding is to provide the basis for the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (hereafter referred to as the Board) to obtain assistance from the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) (other than

assistance from the HCRS) on matters pertaining to the Board's responsibilities as well as administrative support for the Board's activities.

Authority and Background

The National Defense Authorization Act for FY 1989, Public Law ICO-456, added Chapter 21 to the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and established the Board to review and evaluate Department of Energy defense nuclear facilities. Section 1441 of the Act authorizes the Board to obtain advice of the staff of the NRC and the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards on matters pertaining to the Board's responsibilities, with the consent of and under appropriate support arrangements with the NRC. In addition, the NRC will, consistent with the NRC's mission, provide the Board with requested administrative support. These technical and administrative support services will also be provided under the authority of the Economy Act of 1932, as amended.

Execution

Technical and administrative support services will be provided as agreed upon to the Board to meet the requirements of the National Defense Authorization Act for FY 1989. Each organization will designate a liaison officer who will direct and monitor all interactions between the two organizations. The NRC liaison is Janie Elaha, the Assistant for Operations, Office of the Executive Director for Operations. The Board liaison is Kenneth M. Pusateri, General Manager.

1. All requests for NRC assistance will be directed to the NRC liaison officer.
2. Requests for support of an on-going nature to be provided by NRC (e.g., contractual support.) will be covered by an appendix to this MOU which must be approved by the Commission.
3. Request for support of an ad hoc or one-time nature will be handled as follows: