

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION BY A BOARD MEMBER

Requester: _____ JOYCE CONNERY _____ December 6, 2017

Brief description of Requested Action:

To stay the Yellow Folder on Document #2018-200-003 until such time as the staff has performed its planned review R2011-1 Effectiveness Review scheduled for the first half of calendar year 2018.

Justification:

This action is consistent with the comments and amendments made by Board Member Roberson and supported by the Board during the approval of the work plan to look at the effectiveness of open recommendations. While the outcome of this review may result in the closure of the Recommendation, I believe that for completeness and consistency, we should allow for the review to take place before closing the Recommendation. I will submit a separate action to request Board Approval to personally accompany the team performing the review.

Attachments (init) _____ (included clean version of any proposed document or modified document)

Summarize any time sensitive considerations:

Requestor signature _____ on file _____ December 6, 2017

Executive secretary _____ on file _____ December 6, 2017

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

Final Disposition Summary

Executive Secretary signature _____ Click here to enter a date.

AFFIRMATION OF BOARD VOTING RECORD

SUBJECT: RFBA by Board Member Connery to Stay the Yellow Folder on Doc#2018-200-003

Doc Control#2018-300-017

The Board, with Board Member(s) Jessie H. Roberson, Daniel J. Santos, Joyce L. Connery *approving*, Board Member(s) Sean Sullivan *disapproving*, Board Member(s) Bruce Hamilton *abstaining*, and Board Member(s) none *not participating*, have voted to approve the above document on December 7, 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"/>	12/07/17
Bruce Hamilton	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	12/07/17
Jessie H. Roberson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	12/06/17
Daniel J. Santos	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	12/06/17
Joyce L. Connery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	12/06/17

*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 subject Yellow Folder proposes closing Recommendation 2011-1, *Safety Culture at the Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant*, and the requesting Member proposes to stay consideration until some indeterminate time “in the first half of calendar year 2018.”

Over two-and-one-half years ago the Board sent a letter to then-Secretary Ernest Moniz stating, “the Department of Energy (DOE) has taken numerous actions to assess and improve the nuclear safety culture at the Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant (WTP) and across the DOE defense nuclear complex, as you personally explained last October in testimony at our public hearing. We agree that progress has been made and that only two commitments from the DOE Implementation Plan (IP) remain.” Not long thereafter, those two commitments were reported complete. Neither DOE nor DNFSB has done anything since.

Several proposals to close this Recommendation have failed, yet no clear purpose for keeping it open has emerged. We are now asked to keep it open for perhaps another six months or longer. Recommendations that remain open with no remaining Department of Energy actions are pointless. Any issues that threaten the adequate protection of the public health and safety – whether they be newly discovered issues or previously identified but uncorrected issues – should be made the subject of a new recommendation.



Sean Sullivan
12/7/17

Date

DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD
NOTATIONAL VOTE RESPONSE SHEET

FROM: Bruce Hamilton

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Approved _____ **Disapproved** _____ **Abstain** X _____

Recusal – Not Participating _____

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

This Recommendation is stale, and it is time for it to be closed.

That said, closing a Recommendation, while good housekeeping, is not required, and there is no urgency for closure that should preclude additional reviews.

Given those competing considerations, I defer to the preferences of my fellow Board Members.

I therefore abstain.


Bruce Hamilton

7 DEC 2017
Date

DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD
NOTATIONAL VOTE RESPONSE SHEET

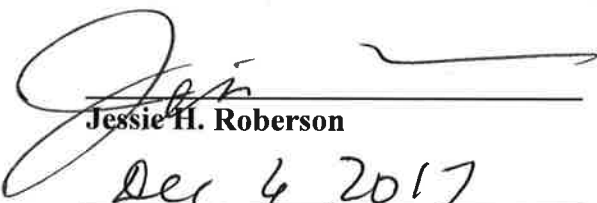
FROM: Jessie H. Roberson

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Approved Disapproved _____ Abstain _____
Recusal - Not Participating _____

COMMENTS: Below _____ Attached _____ None



Jessie H. Roberson
Dec 4, 2017

Date

DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD
NOTATIONAL VOTE RESPONSE SHEET

FROM: Daniel J. Santos


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Approved **Disapproved** _____ **Abstain** _____

Recusal – Not Participating _____

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



Daniel J. Santos

12/6/17

Date

DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD
NOTATIONAL VOTE RESPONSE SHEET

FROM: Joyce L. Connery

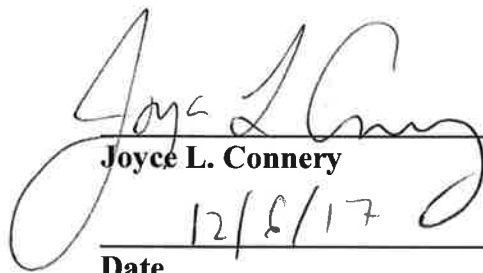
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Approved **Disapproved** **Abstain**

Recusal - Not Participating

COMMENTS: **Below** **Attached** **None**



Joyce L. Connery

12/8/17

Date