

The Honorable James Richard Perry  
Secretary of Energy  
U.S. Department of Energy  
1000 Independence Avenue, SW  
Washington, DC 20585-1000

Dear Secretary Perry:

The Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board is pleased to recognize that Ms. Christy Drewry of the National Nuclear Security Administration Production Office was recently honored as the recipient of the 2017 Department of Energy Annual Safety System Oversight Award.

Ms. Drewry, as the NPO Enterprise SSO Program Manager, demonstrated outstanding leadership by implementing an integrated SSO program at the Pantex Plant and Y-12 National Security Complex. Her efforts also have had a positive impact on the contractor's cognizant system engineering program. These and other accomplishments make Ms. Drewry well deserving of this professional honor.

We join you and your field office managers in acknowledging the importance of the contributions made by DOE's SSO engineers and extend our sincerest congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Drewry.

Yours truly,

Bruce Hamilton  
Acting Chairman

c: Mr. Geoffrey Beausoleil  
Ms. Christy Drewry  
Mr. Joe Olencz

**AFFIRMATION OF BOARD VOTING RECORD**

**SUBJECT: 2017 SSO Award Winner Letter**

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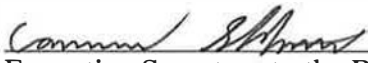
The Board, with Board Member(s) Jessie H. Roberson, Daniel J. Santos, Joyce L. Connery *approving*, Board Member(s) Bruce Hamilton *disapproving*, Board Member(s) none *abstaining*, and Board Member(s) none *not participating*, has voted to approve the above document on June 19, 2018.

The votes were recorded as:

	APRVD	DISAPRVD	ABSTAIN	NOT PARTICIPATING*	COMMENT	DATE
Bruce Hamilton	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	06/19/18
Jessie H. Roberson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	06/19/18
Daniel J. Santos	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	06/19/18
Joyce L. Connery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	06/19/18

\*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.

  
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 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: Bruce Hamilton**

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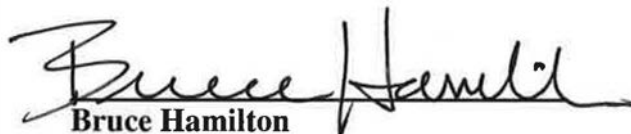
Recusal – Not Participating \_\_\_\_\_

**COMMENTS: Below  X  Attached \_\_\_\_\_ None \_\_\_\_\_**

This is congenial correspondence, and while I have no first-hand knowledge of the award winner or of her contributions, I am confident in the Secretary of Energy's assessment that she is deserving of the honor.

That notwithstanding, it is unfitting for the Board, which is charged with providing independent safety oversight, to endorse or recognize the performance of individuals within the Department of Energy. Doing so would contribute to greater familiarity and informality with Departmental actors, thus eroding, albeit marginally in this case, the Board's independence and objectivity, particularly in the eyes of the public.

I therefore disapprove.

  
Bruce Hamilton

19 JUNE 2018  
Date

**DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD**  
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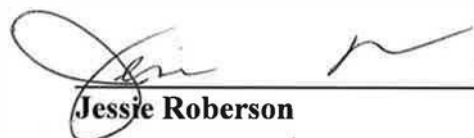
**FROM: Jessie Roberson**

**SUBJECT: 2017 SSO Award Winner Letter**

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Recusal – Not Participating \_\_\_\_\_

**COMMENTS:**      Below \_\_\_\_\_      Attached \_\_\_\_\_      ~~None~~ \_\_\_\_\_

  
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**Jessie Roberson**  
6/19/2018  
\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

**DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD**  
**NOTATIONAL VOTE RESPONSE SHEET**

**FROM: Daniel J. Santos**


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**Approved** X                      **Disapproved** \_\_\_\_\_                      **Abstain** \_\_\_\_\_

**Recusal – Not Participating** \_\_\_\_\_

**COMMENTS:**      **Below** \_\_\_\_\_      **Attached** \_\_\_\_\_      **None** X

  
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**Daniel J. Santos**

**Date**

6/19/18

**DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD  
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**FROM: Joyce L. Connery**

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**Approved   X                        Disapproved                             Abstain**

**Recusal – Not Participating**

**COMMENTS:            Below                   Attached                   None   X**

*Joyce L. Connery for*

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**Joyce L. Connery**

  June 19, 2018    
**Date**

**Member voted by e-mail dated June 19, 2018**