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The Honorable Dan Brouillette
Secretary of Energy
US Department of Energy
1000 Independence Avenue, SW
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Dear Secretary Brouillette:

On February 26, 2020, our staff received from your staff draft Revision A to DOE Order 140.1, *Interface with the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board*. Revision A, if approved as it is currently drafted, will satisfactorily resolve the statutory concerns we expressed in our September 17, 2018 correspondence to Secretary Perry.

While our staffs continue to collaborate on details of the Order's revision, we remain committed to working with you to establish a bilateral memorandum of understanding between our Agencies. Such an agreement should resolve operational interface issues between our agencies that will not be resolved through the Order. This can be accomplished in parallel with your field implementation of the Revision. We look forward to discussing this and other Board oversight topics when we have the opportunity to meet with you.

Yours truly,


Bruce Hamilton
Chairman

c: Mr. Joe Olencz