

**In the Matter of:**

**Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board**

*March 19, 2019*  
*Closed Board Meeting*

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4 DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD  
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7           CLOSED BOARD MEETING  
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10           TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2019  
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3                   CHAIRMAN HAMILTON: Good afternoon. My  
4 name is Bruce Hamilton and I am the Chairman of  
5 the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board. I  
6 will preside over today's closed meeting. With  
7 me today are my colleagues on the Board, Board  
8 Member Jessie Roberson, Board Member Daniel  
9 Santos, and Board Member Joyce Connery. We four  
10 constitute the Board.  
11                   Having established a quorum of Board  
12 members, this closed meeting will now come to  
13 order. Ms. Casey Blaine, the Board's Acting  
14 General Counsel, will serve as the Board's  
15 Executive Secretary for the meeting.  
16                   This closed meeting was publicly  
17 announced on March 6, 2019, on the Board's  
18 public website. This meeting was subsequently  
19 noticed in the Federal Register on March 15.  
20 The Board has closed the meeting to the public  
21 per the provisions of the Government in the  
22 Sunshine Act, as well as the Board's regulations  
23 implementing the Sunshine Act and the Board's  
24 operating procedures for meetings.  
25                   This closed meeting concerns member

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4 DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD:  
5           BRUCE HAMILTON, Vice Chairman  
6           JESSIE H. ROBERSON, Board Member  
7           JOYCE L. CONNERY, Board Member  
8           DANIEL J. SANTOS, Board Member  
9           CASEY BLAINE, Acting General Counsel  
10          ERIC FOX, Associate General Counsel  
11          CHRISTOPHER ROSCETTI, Technical Director  
12          KATHERINE HERERRA, Associate Technical Director  
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24 REPORTED BY:  
25           Susanne Bergling, RMR-CRR-CLR

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1           deliberations pertaining to the development and  
2 formulation of potential Board recommendations  
3 to the Secretary of Energy. The Board's  
4 compliance with statutory provisions permitting  
5 closure of this meeting has been stated in the  
6 Board's Federal Register notice. Additional  
7 documentation related to this meeting is  
8 available on our website, [www.dnfsb.gov](http://www.dnfsb.gov).  
9           As a reminder to those who are in  
10 attendance and Board employees who may later  
11 become privy to these proceedings, the Board and  
12 its staff are prohibited from publicly  
13 disclosing information described in draft of  
14 final recommendations prior to the receipt of  
15 the final recommendation by the Secretary of  
16 Energy. This prohibition applies to information  
17 learned during the course of the meeting or by  
18 review of the meeting transcript, related  
19 documents, or from other sources.  
20           Pursuant to the specific agenda, the  
21 Board will deliberate on potential  
22 recommendations currently pending before the  
23 Board. Following the discussion on each, I will  
24 summarize the outcome of the discussion, and the  
25 Executive Secretary will summarize any staff

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1 taskings and Board votes. After an opportunity  
2 for closing comments from Board Members, the  
3 meeting will adjourn. This concludes my opening  
4 remarks in my capacity as Chairman.  
5 We are on the record without objection.  
6 I have provided my pro forma opening remarks for  
7 entry in the record. Hearing no objections, we  
8 will proceed with the first -- well, actually,  
9 I'm sorry. Hearing no objections, I'll offer  
10 any introductory remarks.  
11 Board Member Santos?  
12 BOARD MEMBER SANTOS: No opening  
13 remarks. Thank you, Chairman.  
14 CHAIRMAN HAMILTON: Board Member  
15 Connery?  
16 BOARD MEMBER CONNERY: No, sir.  
17 CHAIRMAN HAMILTON: Board Member  
18 Roberson?  
19 BOARD MEMBER ROBERSON: No, sir.  
20 CHAIRMAN HAMILTON: Hearing no  
21 introductory remarks, we will proceed with the  
22 first order of business, which is at Tab 3.

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13 We are adjourned.  
 14 BOARD MEMBER ROBERSON: Thank you.  
 15 (Whereupon, at 3:19 p.m., the meeting  
 16 was adjourned.)  
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