

In the Matter of:

Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board

November 21, 2019
Closed Board Meeting

Condensed Transcript with Word Index



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1 P R O C E E D I N G S
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 3 CHAIRMAN HAMILTON: Good morning. 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 and Board Member Joyce
 9 Connery. We three constitute the Board.
 10 Having established a quorum of Board
 11 members, this closed meeting will now come to
 12 order. Mr. Joseph Gilman, the Board's Acting
 13 General Counsel, will serve as the Board's
 14 Executive Secretary for the meeting.
 15 This closed meeting was publicly
 16 announced on November 19, 2019, on the Board's
 17 public website. This meeting was subsequently
 18 noticed in the Federal Register on November 21.
 19 The Board has closed the meeting to the public
 20 per the provisions of the Government in the
 21 Sunshine Act, as well as the Board's regulations
 22 implementing the Sunshine Act and the Board's
 23 operating procedures for meetings.
 24 This closed meeting concerns member
 25 deliberations pertaining to the development and

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 4 DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD:
 5 BRUCE HAMILTON, Chairman
 6 JESSIE H. ROBERSON, Board Member
 7 JOYCE L. CONNERY, Board Member
 8 JOSEPH GILMAN, Acting General Counsel
 9 ERIC FOX, Associate General Counsel
 10 CHRISTOPHER ROSCETTI, Technical Director
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 24 REPORTED BY:
 25 Susanne Bergling, RMR-CRR-CLR

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

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1 for closing comments from Board Members, the
2 meeting will adjourn. This concludes my opening
3 remarks in my capacity as Chairman.

4 We are on the record, and without
5 objection, I will give my formal opening remarks
6 to Ms. Bergling to enter into the transcript in
7 lieu of reading them aloud.

8 And hearing no objections, we will move
9 to Board member opening remarks.

10 Ms. Roberson?

11 BOARD MEMBER ROBERSON: No opening
12 remarks, Mr. Chairman.

13 CHAIRMAN HAMILTON: Ms. Connery?

14 BOARD MEMBER CONNERY: I have no
15 opening remarks at this time.

16 CHAIRMAN HAMILTON: And I have no
17 opening remarks.

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8 CHAIRMAN HAMILTON: That's fine.
9 Any other topics for discussion or
10 deliberation in the closed meeting setting?
11 (No response.)
12 CHAIRMAN HAMILTON: If not, I will turn
13 to closing remarks.
14 Mr. Roberson?
15 BOARD MEMBER ROBERSON: Yes, I want to
16 thank the Board and thank the staff. I think
17 this was a very efficient, high-quality product
18 that we have to work with, and I'm very
19 grateful. So thank you.
20 CHAIRMAN HAMILTON: All right.
21 Ms. Connery?
22 BOARD MEMBER CONNERY: I would echo
23 that. [REDACTED]

6 [REDACTED]
7 CHAIRMAN HAMILTON: Thank you, and I
8 have no closing remarks. So we are adjourned.
9 (Whereupon, at 12:27 p.m., the meeting
10 was adjourned.)
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4 I, Susanne Bergling, do hereby certify
5 that the foregoing proceedings were recorded by
6 me via stenotype and reduced to typewriting
7 under my supervision; that I am neither counsel
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11 relative or employee of any attorney or counsel
12 employed by the parties hereto, nor financially
13 or otherwise interested in the outcome of the
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