

Army Science Board; Notice of Closed Meeting

In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (P.L. 92-463), announcement is made of the following Committee Meeting:

Name of Committee: Army Science Board (ASB).

Date of Meeting: 11 & 12 December 1996.

Time of Meeting: 0900-1600 (both days).

Place: Pentagon—Washington, DC.

Agenda: The Army Science Board (ASB) 1997 Summer Study on "Battlefield Visualization" will meet on the study subject. These meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with Section 552b(c) of title 5, U.S.C., specifically subparagraph (4) thereof, and Title 5, U.S.C., Appendix 2, subsection 10(d). The proprietary matters to be discussed are so inextricably intertwined so as to preclude opening any portion of these meetings. For further information, please contact our office at (703) 695-0781. Leonard Gliatta,

COL, GS, Army Science Board.

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In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (P.L. 92-463), announcement is made of the following Committee Meeting:

Name of Committee: Army Science Board (ASB).

Date of Meeting: 7 & 8 January 1997.

Time of Meeting: 0900-1600 (both days).

Place: Pentagon—Washington, DC.

Agenda: The Army Science Board (ASB) 1997 Summer Study on "Battlefield Visualization" will meet on the study subject. The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with Section 552b(c) of title 5, U.S.C., specifically subparagraph (4) thereof, and Title 5, U.S.C., Appendix 2, subsection 10(d). The proprietary matters to be discussed are so inextricably intertwined so as to preclude opening any portion of these meetings. For further information, please contact our office at (703) 695-0781. Leonard Gliatta,

COL, GS, Army Science Board.

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Army Science Board; Notice of Closed Meeting

In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (P.L. 92-463), announcement is made of the following Committee Meeting:

Name of Committee: Army Science Board (ASB).

Date of Meeting: 16 & 17 December 1996.

Time of Meeting: 0900-1600, 16 Dec 96; 0900-1700, 17 Dec 96.

Place: Pentagon—Washington, DC.

Agenda: The Army Science Board (ASB) Ad Hoc Study on "Global Broadcast Service" will meet on the study subject. These meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with Section 552(b)(c) of title 5, U.S.C., specifically subparagraph (4) thereof, and Title 5, U.S.C., Appendix 2, subsection 10(d). The proprietary matters to be discussed are so inextricably intertwined so as to preclude opening any portion of these meetings. For further information, please contact our office at (703) 695-0781.

Leonard Gliatta,

COL, GS, Army Science Board.

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Army Science Board; Notice of Closed Meeting

In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (P.L. 92-463), announcement is made of the following Committee Meeting:

Name of Committee: Army Science Board (ASB).

Date of Meeting: 10 December 1996.

Time of Meeting: 0800-1630 (both days).

Place: Pentagon—Washington, DC.

Agenda: The Army Science Board (ASB) Independent Assessment on "Theater Air Defense/Theater Missile Defense Battle Management/Command, Control, Communications, Computers & Intelligence (TAD/TMD BMC4I)" will meet on the study subject. This meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with Section 552b(c) of title 5, U.S.C., specifically subparagraph (4) thereof, and Title 5, U.S.C., Appendix 2, subsection 10(d). The proprietary matters to be discussed are so inextricably intertwined so as to preclude opening any portion of this meeting. For further information, please contact our office at (703) 695-0781.

Leonard Gliatta,

COL, GS, Army Science Board.

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Army Science Board; Notice of Closed Meeting

In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (P.L. 92-463), announcement is made of the following Committee Meeting:

Name of Committee: Army Science Board (ASB).

Date of Meeting: 10 December 1996.

Time of Meeting: 0900-1200.

Place: TBD.

Agenda: The Army Science Board's (ASB) Ad Hoc Study on "Optimizing Unit Capabilities Systems" will meet on the study subject. This meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with Section 552b(c) of Title 5, U.S.C., specifically paragraph (1) thereof, and Title 5, U.S.C., Appendix 2, subsection 10(d). The classified and unclassified matters to be discussed are so

inextricably intertwined so as to preclude opening any portion of these meetings. For further information, please contact our office at (703) 695-0781.

Leonard Gliatta,

COL, GS, Army Science Board.

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DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD**Sunshine Act Meeting**

Pursuant to the provisions of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. § 552b), notice is hereby given of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board's (Board) fifth meeting in a series, described below, regarding the Department of Energy's (DOE) standards-based safety management program. The Board will also conduct a public hearing pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 2286b to gather additional information on the status of the Board's oversight of the DOE's initiatives to simplify existing safety orders and to promulgate new rules and invites any interested persons or groups, as well as DOE contractors, to present any comments, technical information, or data concerning this matter.

TIME AND DATE: December 12, 1996, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: The Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, Public Hearing Room, 625 Indiana Avenue, NW, Suite 300, Washington, DC 20004.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: The Board will reconvene and continue the open meeting conducted on November 7, 1996, regarding the adequacy of DOE's standards-based safety management program. The Department of Energy is scheduled to provide a status report and to respond to questions concerning the open issues identified at the Board's public meeting on November 7, 1996. DOE contractors, public representatives, and others will be given an opportunity to present their comments on these safety orders and proposed rules.

Some of the open issues that were identified by the Board's staff during the November 7, 1996 meeting are included in the appendix to this notice.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Robert M. Andersen, General Counsel, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, 625 Indiana Avenue, NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20004, (800) 788-4016. This is a toll-free number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Board has a responsibility for oversight of DOE's development and implementation of nuclear health and

safety requirements. DOE is endeavoring to change existing safety orders to revised safety orders and rules. The Board wants to make sure that the requirements-based safety program now embodied in the DOE's safety orders and existing regulations is not compromised.

The Board has held four public Board meetings, to date, in connection with DOE initiatives to revise and improve its nuclear safety requirements. This will be the fifth in that series. On May 31, 1995, the board met in open session, to lay the groundwork for a full assessment of how Standards/Requirements Identification Documents, rules, orders, and other safety requirements are integrated into an overall safety management program for defense nuclear facilities. That public meeting was continued on July 18, 1995. The Board's staff reported on its comprehensive review of existing orders and rules, their adequacy, and the status of DOE revisions to safety orders and rules. Individual Board members presented their views. Then, in a joint meeting with DOE officials on September 20, 1995, DOE's representative reported on the status of DOE's review and proposed revision of nuclear safety orders and rules. The Board at that time identified safety issues requiring resolution, including inappropriate application of "sunset provisions" to safety orders, the need for "corsswalks" showing the disposition of requirements in superseded safety orders and the need to preserve sound engineering practices embodied in guidance documents. The Board reserved its right to further comment after it completed its integrated review of how rules, orders, and other safety requirements are being revised and integrated into an overall safety management program for defense nuclear facilities. The Board reiterated its concern that DOE's streamlining and conversion process not compromise the requirements-based safety program currently embodied in contracts which incorporate applicable DOE safety orders.

On November 7, 1996, the Board held its fourth public meeting to assess DOE's progress in streamlining the safety orders and promulgating new safety rules pertaining to its defense nuclear facilities, and to assure that DOE's activities in streamlining DOE's nuclear safety order system and converting to its new regulatory system did not eliminate the sound engineering practices now codified in its safety orders that are necessary to adequately protect public health and safety. Transcripts of each of the four previous

public meetings are on file and may be reviewed at the Board's public document room.

In accordance with the authority granted to the Board, and in furtherance of its continuing responsibility for oversight of these matters vital to the public health and safety, a public hearing is to be conducted by the Board on December 12, 1996, in an open meeting. This hearing is an information-gathering function. Examination of those appearing before the Board will be limited to questions put to them by the Board. Requests to speak at the hearing may be submitted in writing or by telephone. We ask that commentators describe the nature and scope of their oral presentation. Those who contact the Board prior to close of business on December 11, 1996, will be scheduled for time slots, beginning at approximately 2:30 p.m. The Board will post a schedule for those speakers who have contacted the Board before the hearing. The posting will be made at the Reception Area (room 346) at the start of the 9:00 a.m. meeting.

Anyone who wishes to comment, provide technical information or data, may do so in writing, either in lieu of, or in addition to making an oral presentation. The Board Members may question presenters to the extent deemed appropriate. The Board will hold the record open until December 27, 1996, for the receipt of materials. A transcript of this proceeding will be made available by the Board for inspection by the public at the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board's Washington office.

The Board reserves its right to further schedule and otherwise regulate the course of this meeting and hearing, to recess, reconvene, and otherwise exercise its authority under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended.

Dated: November 27, 1996

John T. Conway,
Chairman.

Appendix—Issues Identified During November 7, 1996 Meeting

- Technical issues, finalization and issuance of Implementation Guides associated with DOE Order 420.1, Facility Safety.
- Preparation of a nuclear design handbook to capture and document the extensive years of sound engineering practices developed during many years of experience.
- Previous Board comments regarding DOE Order 251.1A, Directives System, and the associated manual.
- Issuance of a Glossary of Terms to include definitions previously contained in DOE orders and rules.

- Revision of DOE Order 435.1 and its associated Implementation Guide.
- The removal of the decommissioning chapter from DOE Order 5820.2A and addition of appropriate requirements and guidance on decommissioning in DOE Order 430.1, Life Cycle Asset Management.
- Board comments and issuance of the Weapons Orders and Implementation Guide, DOE Orders 452.1 and 452.2.
- DOE's action plan for DOE Order 210.1, that has included a performance indicator program to provide an acceptable level of protection for the health and safety of workers and the public at defense nuclear facilities.
- Completion of Implementation Guide, DOE G 460.1-1 for use with DOE Order 460.1, Packaging and Transportation Safety, and Implementation Guide, DOE G 460.2-1 for use with DOE Order 460.2, Departmental Materials Transportation and Packaging Management.
- Compatibility of the Nuclear Safety Rules (10 CFR Part 830) with the integrated safety management concepts of Board Recommendation 95-2, and clarification of the process for submitting Implementation Plans by the contractors.
- Technical issues relative to Nuclear Safety Rules, 10 CFR Part 830.
- Criteria for worker protection and related issues, including: the requirements contained in the proposed Rules 10 CFR Part 830.110, Safety Analysis Report; 10 CFR Part 830.320, Technical Safety Requirements, and 10 CFR Part 830.112, Unreviewed Safety Questions.
- Revised DOE Manual 232.1-1, Occurrence Reporting and Processing of Operations Information, and discussion regarding the impact of the proposed rule to provide for reporting consistency throughout the complex.
- DOE's proposed changes to the exemption rule relative to the "adequate protection" and "special circumstances" determination changes discussed by DOE.
- Status of Board staff's comments to the nine Implementation Guides, and planned revisions to the remaining three Implementation Guides and the standards related to Internal Dosimetry, and issuance of the amendment to 10 CFR Part 835 regarding Occupational Radiation Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Department of Energy, Los Alamos National Laboratory; Notice of Open Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) notice is hereby given of the following Advisory Committee meeting: Environmental Management Site-