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DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD

Pursuant to the provisions of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. § 552b), notice is hereby given of the Board's meeting described below. The Board will also conduct a public hearing pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 2286b to gather additional information on technical issues underlying the Board's Recommendation 93–5.

TIME AND DATE: 6:00 p.m., March 29, 1995.

PLACE: Federal Building Auditorium, 825 Jadwin Avenue, Richland, Washington 99352.

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. The importance of characterizing highlevel radioactive waste to support safe storage, retrieval, pretreatment and immobilization programs, and the implications of program delays.

2. The status of implementing Board Recommendation 93–5.

3. The proposed change to the characterization strategy, including: the technical justification for changing strategies, and the advantages and disadvantages of the proposed strategy, with emphasis on characterization requirements for safe storage, retrieval, pretreatment, and immobilization.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Robert M. Anderson, 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 repeatedly expressed the view that the Department of Energy needs to accelerate its current schedule for characterization of high-level radioactive waste in underground tanks at the Hanford Site. On July 19, 1993, the Board formally recommended to the Secretary of Energy (Recommendation 93-5) that DOE accelerate its actions to sample and characterize the Hanford tank wastes. The Secretary accepted the Board's recommendation; however, the Department's efforts to date to implement the Board's recommendation have been disappointing. The program for characterization of the waste is well

behind schedule. The Board is informed that recent deferrals of a number of actions threaten to cause even further delays.

In accordance with the powers granted to the Board, a public hearing will be conducted by the Board in an open meeting. The Board has requested staff members of the Department of Energy, Westinghouse Hanford Company, and representatives from other organizations to brief the Board on the current status of activities under the Secretary's implementation plan for Recommendation 93–5. These participants are expected to answer Board questions based on their experience and technical knowledge and to provide additional documents as necessary. This hearing is an information gathering function. Examination of those appearing before the Board will be limited to the questions put to them by the Board. An opportunity will be available for comments by members of the interested public at the conclusion of the presentations and the Board's questioning of the participants.

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 April 12, 1995, for the receipt of additional 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, D.C. office and at the DOE's Public Reading Room, Richland Operations Office, 100 Sprout Road, Room 130 West, Richland, WA 99352.

Recommendation 93–5 in its entirety is on file at DOE's Public Reading Room, Richland Operations Office, 100 Sprout Road, Room 130 West, Richland, WA 99352, and at the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board's Washington, D.C. office. It is also set forth in the **Federal Register** at 58 FR 40409.

The Board reserves its right to further schedule and otherwise regulate the course of this meeting and hearing, to recess, reconvene, postpone or adjourn the meeting, and otherwise excise its power under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended. Dated: March 9, 1995. John T. Conway, Chairman.

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FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD

TIME AND DATE: 10:00 a.m. March 20, 1995.

PLACE: 4th Floor, Conference Room, 1250 H Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Approval of the minutes of the February 21, 1995, Board meeting.

2. Thrift Savings Plan activity report by the Executive Director.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Tom Trabucco, Director, Office of External Affairs, (202) 942–1640.

Dated: March 8, 1995.

Roger W. Mehle,

Executive Director, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board. [FR Doc. 95–6243 Filed 3–9–95; 2:24 pm] BILLING CODE 6760–01–M

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[USITC SE-95-05]

TIME AND DATE: March 23, 1995 at 2:30 p.m.

PLACE: Room 101, 500 E Street S.W., Washington, DC 20436.

STATUS:

- 1. Agenda for future meeting
- 2. Minutes
- 3. Ratification List
- 4. Inv. Nos. 701–TA–360–361 and 731–TA– 688–695 (Final) (Certain Carbon Steel Butt-Weld Pipe Fittings from France, India, Israel, Malaysia, Korea, Thailand, the United Kingdom, and Venezuela) briefing and vote.
- Outstanding action jackets:
 ID-95-010, Annual report in Inv. No. 332-237, Production Sharing: Use of U.S.-Made Components and Materials in Foreign Assembly Operations, 1990– 1993.

In accordance with Commission policy, subject matter listed above, not disposed of at the scheduled meeting, may be carried over to the agenda of the following meeting.

By order of the Commission: