

2006 Current Fiscal Year Report: Joint Advisory Committee on Nuclear Weapons Surety

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1. Department or Agency

Department of Defense

2. Fiscal Year

2006

3. Committee or Subcommittee

Joint Advisory Committee on Nuclear
Weapons Surety

3b. GSA

Committee No.

31

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

No

5. Current Charter

09/04/2004

6. Expected Renewal Date

7. Expected Term Date

09/04/2006

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

Yes

8b. Specific Termination Authority

Agency
Determination

8c. Actual Term Date

09/04/2006

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Terminate

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

No

10b. Legislation Pending?

11. Establishment Authority

Agency Authority

12. Specific Establishment Authority

Secretary of Defense
Determination

13. Effective Date

09/13/1991

14. Committee Type

Continuing

14c. Presidential?

No

15. Description of Committee

National Policy Issue Advisory
Board

16a. Total Number of Reports

1

16b. Report Date

10/05/2005

Report Title

Classified

Number of Committee Reports Listed: 1

17a.

0

17b. Closed

1

17c. Partially Closed

0

Other Activities

0

17d. Total

1

Meetings and Dates

Purpose

Start

End

Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 1

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel		
Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel		
Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel		
Pmts to Federal Staff	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
18a(4). Personnel		
Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$10,000.00	\$15,000.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$65,000.00	\$120,000.00
18d. Total	\$100,000.00	\$160,000.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.10	0.10

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The Committee reviews high-level national security issues to include a comprehensive look at nuclear weapons readiness and surety practices. The Committee communicates (via correspondence and conversation) with the

Secretary of Defense, Deputy Secretary of Defense, Under Secretary of Defense (AT&L), Assistant to the Secretary of Defense (NCB), the Administrator of NNSA, leadership at the DOE National Laboratories, and high-level DOE managers. The value of Committee advice is manifested in key US Government decisions which incorporate the Committee recommendations.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

Members with former backgrounds and experience with DoD and DOE provide joint perspective; member composition - 3 DoD, 2 DOE, 2 DoE/DoD (all former high-level employees of either DoD, DOE, and/or both departments).

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The frequency of meetings average once every four to six months during the year. Nuclear safety, security, and control of the nation's stockpile remain an absolutely critical element of U.S. national security.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

Only source which meets the criteria set forth by the congressionally-mandated Drell Panel, which envisaged a high-level, nonpartisan committee to give expert advice on nuclear surety matters.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

Closed meetings necessary to discuss highly classified information related to nuclear weapons security operations and design, in the interest of national security.

21. Remarks

One committee report was submitted during FY06, and that report is classified. Meeting minutes for all meetings are classified, but are retained according to the applicable guidelines. This committee is programmed to merge with the Defense Science Board.

Designated Federal Officer

John A. Fedrigo Defense Threat Reduction

Agency

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Agnew, Harold	05/20/1993	06/01/2006	Consultant	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Crawford, John	09/04/2006	09/03/2007	Consultant	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Gold, Sydell	03/25/1994	07/01/2006	Consultant	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Neary, Thomas	09/15/2004	02/14/2007	Consultant	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Selden, Robert	10/15/1994	10/02/2006	Consultant	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Welch, Larry	09/01/1992	07/01/2007	Consultant	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Wertheim, Robert	05/20/1993	06/01/2006	Consultant	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 7

Narrative Description

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surety practices. The Committee communicates (via correspondence and conversation) with the Assistant to the Secretary of Defense (NCB), Under Secretary of Defense (AT&L), Deputy Secretary of Defense, Secretary of Defense, the Administrator of NNSA, leadership at the DOE National Laboratories, and high-level DOE managers. The value of Committee advice is manifested in key US Government decisions which incorporate the Committee recommendations.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if
Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Outcome Comments

The Committee's recommendations resulted in changes in Departmental guidance and policies.

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>



Cost Savings Comments

Committee members serve without compensation (except for travel reimbursement) and provide high-level, necessary reviews for two Departments, which otherwise would cost millions.

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

70

Number of Recommendations Comments

The committee published their 2005 work in October 2006. Committee members briefed and discussed recommendations with senior leaders throughout 2006. No new recommendations were developed in 2006. Over the life of the committee, reports and recommendations have fluctuated as driven by need and topic. Average of 5-8 major recommendations per year beginning in 1991

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

75%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

Recommendations of this committee have been codified in DoD and DOE policy documents.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

10%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

NA

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

Agency Feedback Comments

The Departments provide feedback via implementation plans, meetings, correspondence,

and conversations with Committee members.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

The Departments have developed new guidance and procedures via departmental directives, manuals, and instructions.

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

NA

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Access Comments

The Committee receives direct feedback from Department officials.