interest existed with this employment arrangement, the Chairman of the Board approved a waiver of this potential conflict and published a Notice in the **Federal Register**. Upon the expiration of the two year appointment on September 30, 1994, Dr. Pearlstein returned to BNL and entered a gradual retirement program which allows employees to work on a part-time basis until they decide to end their association with the Laboratory completely.

Based on a continued need for his unique expertise, the Board has decided to establish a contract directly with Dr. Pearlstein. Specifically, Dr. Pearlstein will be asked to provide technical assistance in criticality safety and other related fields including nuclear and reactor physics, and accelerator production of tritium. The proposed effort, which will require his support on an intermittent basis, will include his participation in the review of safety analysis reports, DOE facility visits, presentation of lectures on criticality and related technical subjects to the staff, the development of specialized nuclear information or data bases for Board applications, and assisting the staff in monitoring DOE performance on specific issues or Board Recommendations. The Board has also recognized that the proposed contractual relationship with Dr. Pearlstein will result in a potential conflict of interest situation due to his simultaneous relationship with BNL, a DOE National Laboratory, and the Board. However, while the Board avoids these situations wherever possible, it believes that the need for Dr. Pearlstein's services coupled with the low probability that a direct conflict of interest or biased work product will result from this engagement, justifies this proposed acquisition and waiver based on the following.

First, Dr. Pearlstein possesses outstanding credentials in this technical area and has extensive direct experience through his numerous years at BNL. There is presently no one else on the Board's technical staff who has a broad and extensive background in evaluating nuclear physics data, particularly in the area of nuclear applications as Dr. Pearlstein possesses. He has extensive experience with examining physics data and evaluating its integrity, and has the ability to synthesize scientific data from multiple sources to find solutions to complex and novel problems. Dr. Pearlstein's expertise is important in facilitating the accomplishment of the Board's mission, particularly in the area of nuclear physics. Additionally, during his two year appointment with the Board, Dr. Pearlstein developed a

unique and intimate understanding of the Board's mission, internal operations, and the major technical issues being addressed by the staff. Consequently, while there are other individuals with similar technical backgrounds, Dr. Pearstein's blend of experience gained through his long association with BNL, and most recent work as a member of the Board's staff, makes him a unique source of technical support to the Board. Through this combination of experience, Dr. Pearlstein can provide immediate support to the Board on a variety of complex technical issues which require prompt resolution, without the need for the extensive and time consuming preparatory efforts others would require.

Second, the Board does not believe that a direct conflict between Dr. Pearlstein's technical work for the Board and BNL will develop for the following reasons. BNL is a multi-program, DOE Laboratory whose missions include scientific and medical research, energy technology development, and associated support functions. These activities are mostly related to DOE's non-defense mission and have little relationship with the defense nuclear facilities or oversight responsibilities of the Board. Further, Dr. Pearlstein has advised the Board that he will be assigned to BNL's Engineering Research and Applications Division in the Department of Advanced Technology which is involved in work ranging from structural analysis to radiological engineering. Therefore, based on the significant differences in technical efforts and missions between the Board and BNL, no direct conflict with the proposed effort is anticipated or with Dr. Pearlstein's ability to provide the Board with impartial, objective work products.

Finally, as the Board is required under its OCI Regulations, where reasonably possible, to initiate measures which attempt to mitigate an OCI, the Board will stay abreast of Dr. Pearlstein's technical work at BNL to insure no problems arise during contract performance. Also, the efforts of Dr. Pearlstein will be overseen by experienced technical staff of the Board to ensure that all of his resultant work products are impartial and contain full support for any findings and recommendations issued thereunder.

Accordingly, on the basis of the determination described above and pursuant to the applicable provisions of 10 CFR 1706, the Chairman of the Board granted a waiver of any conflicts of interests (and the pertinent provisions of the OCI Regulations) with the Board's contract with Dr. Sol Pearlstein that

might arise out of his existing relationship with BNL.

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# **Privacy Act; Systems of Records**

**AGENCY:** Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board.

**ACTION:** Annual notice of systems of records.

**SUMMARY:** Each Federal agency is required by the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a, to publish annually a description of the systems of records it maintains containing personal information. In this notice the Board provides the required information on five previously-noticed systems of records.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Board currently maintains five systems of records under the Privacy Act. Each system is described below.

# DNFSG-1

## SYSTEM NAME:

Personnel Security Files.

# SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:

Unclassified materials.

#### SYSTEM LOCATION:

Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, 625 Indiana Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004–2901.

# CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

Employees and applicants for employment with DNFSB and DNFSB contractors; consultants; other individuals requiring access to classified materials and facilities.

### CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

Personnel security folders and requests for security clearances, Forms SF 86, 86A, 87, 312, and DOE Forms 5631.18, 5631.29, 5631.20, and 5631.21. In addition, records containing the following information:

- (1) Security clearance request information;
- (2) Records of security education and foreign travel lectures;
- (3) Records of any security infractions;