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PRESS RELEASE

Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (DNFSB) Announces Arrival of Newest Board Member

Washington, DC—Dr. Patricia L. Lee was sworn in today as the newest Member of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (Board). She was confirmed by the Senate on July 9, 2024, for service through October 18, 2027.

Dr. Lee has over thirty years of experience in radiation protection and nuclear safety, with an extensive background in research and development associated with many of the nation's largest nuclear facilities. Dr. Lee has served for twenty-three years at the Savannah River National Laboratory (SRNL) and nearly a decade at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Most recently, she served as the Portfolio Manager for the SRNL Digital Enterprise.

Dr. Lee also had assignments at the Department of Energy (DOE) headquarters in Washington, DC where she served as a Senior Technical Advisor to the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Environmental Management (EM), acting as the liaison to the Board and as a Senior Technical Advisor in EM's Technology Development Program.

Dr. Lee's various degrees include: a Ph.D. in Nuclear Engineering/Health Physics and an M.S. in Health Physics from the Georgia Institute of Technology; a M.S. in Physics from Clark Atlanta University; and a B.S. in Physics from Lincoln University.

Chair Joyce Connery and Vice Chair Thomas Summers welcome Dr. Lee's arrival and are pleased that quorum has been restored for the Board.