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President Clinton Completes NWTRB Appointments

President Bill Clinton has appointed two new members to the U.S. Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board (the Board), completing the eleven-member Board that evaluates the scientific and technical validity of the nation's commercial spent nuclear fuel and high-level waste disposal program.

Dr. Paul P. Craig, appointed January 30, is professor of engineering (emeritus) at the University of California, Davis, and a member of the university's Graduate Group in Ecology Environmental Policy. He also is a member of the Sierra Club's National Task Force on Nuclear Waste Management and the Sierra Club's Energy Committee. Dr. Craig brings to the Board special expertise and research interest in energy policy issues associated with global environmental change. He served as the deputy and acting director of the Office of Energy Research and Development Policy, which provided policy analysis in support of the science advisor to the President and the Office of Management and Budget. Dr. Craig holds a bachelor's degree in mathematics and physics from Haverford College and a Ph.D. in physics from the California Institute of Technology. He lives in California.

Dr. Richard R Parizek, appointed February 11, is professor of geology at Pennsylvania State University where he has served on the faculty since 1961. He brings to the Board special expertise in hydrogeology. Dr. Parizek has served as an Administrative Law Judge for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel from 1990 to 1997, and was a member of the Office of Nuclear Waste Isolation's Salt Modeling Task Force in 1985. He holds a bachelor's degree in geology from the University of Connecticut and master's and doctoral degrees in geology from the University of Illinois. Dr. Parizek lives in Pennsylvania.

The Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board was created by Congress in the Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 1987. The Board is charged with evaluating the scientific and technical validity of the activities undertaken by the Secretary of Energy to manage and dispose of the nation's commercial spent nuclear fuel and high-level nuclear waste.

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