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**President Biden Appoints Six New Members
to U.S. Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board**

President Biden has appointed the following members to the U.S. Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board: Dr. Ronald Ballinger; Dr. David E. Daniel; Dr. Teresa Fryberger; Dr. Nathan Siu; Dr. Scott W. Tyler; and Dr. Brian G. Woods. President Biden also named Dr. Nathan Siu to serve as the Chair of the Board, replacing Dr. Jean Bahr, whose term as a Board member had expired.

Dr. Ballinger is Professor Emeritus in Nuclear Science and Engineering at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Dr. Daniel is President Emeritus of the University of Texas at Dallas. Dr. Fryberger is a consultant in Chemical and Environmental Sciences. Dr. Siu is a consultant in Nuclear Risk Assessment. Dr. Tyler is Foundation Professor in the Department of Geological Sciences and Engineering at the University of Nevada, Reno. Dr. Woods is a Professor in Nuclear Engineering in the College of Engineering at Oregon State University.

By law, Board members may continue to serve until they are reappointed or until their replacements are appointed by the President. Board members serve part time and are appointed by the President from a list of nominees submitted by the National Academy of Sciences. Nominees are selected solely on the basis of their expertise and eminence in technical and scientific disciplines relevant to the Board's mandate. The appointees will join the Board as soon as they complete the oath of office.

The Board was created in the Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 1987 to perform an ongoing evaluation of the technical and scientific validity of U.S. Department of Energy activities related to implementing the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982. The Board is an independent federal agency in the Executive Branch.

The White House announcement of the appointments can be found [here](#). Additional information on the Board can be found on the Board's website at www.nwtrb.gov.
