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SUBJECT: Request to Cancel Department of Energy (DOE) Order 350.2B, Use of Management and Operating or other Facility Management Contractor Employees for Services to DOE in the Washington D.C. Area, dated May 31, 2011.

PURPOSE: DOE is cancelling this directive and its associated DOE-wide mandated requirements in recognition of Departmental management and oversight improvements of Headquarters sponsored assignments to the Washington D.C. area and opting to implement a program specific risk based management approach to these actions.

JUSTIFICATION: During the 1990s DOE was identified by Congress as needing to significantly improve its management and oversight of M&O contractor assignments to the Washington D.C. area. Congress imposed an annual ceiling on the aggregate number of DOE assignments and directed that DOE provide annual reports of these assignments. Concurrently, DOE-wide policy, requirements and procedures for the review, approval, oversight and reporting were developed and implemented. Since that time, DOE has been found to have accurately reported and successfully managed assignments including significantly reducing the aggregate number of assignments in accordance with Congressional direction. DOE requested and was granted relief from Congressional reporting several years ago and since that time has maintained a relatively level number of assignments.

There appears to be an opportunity for further improvement through the use of risk based management and oversight practices at the program organization level. DOE-wide policy and oversight requirements may be less than optimal, costly and in some cases unnecessary especially to smaller organizations that support only a few assignments. Sponsoring organizations are well aware of the risk areas such as aggregate numbers, cost, duration and




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justifications for assignments. By cancelling this order DOE offers additional opportunities for streamlining and reductions in resource impacts through efficiencies at the program level.

IMPACT: There is no organizational impact and limited cost savings associated with this cancellation.

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