

## The Secretary of Energy

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SUBJECT: 180 Day Extension to Anniversary Dates for Protective Force

Personnel Covered by Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations,

Part 1046

Pursuant to the authority granted by Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 1046, *Medical, Physical Readiness, Training, and Access Authorization Standards for Protective Force Personnel,* I find that approval of a 180 day extension to the timeframes set forth in part 1046 to comply with certain medical, physical readiness, firearms, and training requirements will not endanger life or property or the common defense and security, and is otherwise in the public interest.

On March 13, 2020, the President issued a proclamation that the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) outbreak constitutes a national emergency, beginning March 1, 2020. The COVID-19 outbreak is significantly impacting the staffing levels of the Department's sites and facilities, including medical personnel who support the DOE Protective Force program consistent with part 1046. The medical professionals in the Department are being redirected to support the current COVID-19 medical situation and non-essential personnel have been placed on telework status.

Therefore, all anniversary dates (e.g., 12 months from the date of previous medical certification) for medical examinations/recertifications, physical readiness qualifications, firearms qualifications, and annual training for Protective Force personnel specified in 10 CFR Part 1046 may be extended for 180 days. This 180 day extension is limited to Protective Force personnel whose anniversary dates fall between March 13, 2020, and 30 days past the date the national emergency is cancelled.

Questions concerning this topic should be addressed to Mr. Samuel Callahan, Director, Office of Security, at <a href="mailto:Samuel.Callahan@hq.doe.gov">Samuel.Callahan@hq.doe.gov</a> or (301) 903-3767.

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Attachment: 10 CFR Part 1046