

The **Office of National Security Assessments (EA-20)** provides independent oversight of the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE's) safeguards and security programs, helping ensure the safety of our nation by protecting nuclear weapons, special nuclear material, classified information, and other high-consequence assets from theft, sabotage, and compromise.

FUNCTIONS

Safeguards & Security Assessments

Conduct objective, risk-based evaluations of the protection of DOE assets in accordance with national and Departmental Directives.

Specialized and Focused Assessments

Conduct rapid, focused analyses based on national security needs, emerging threats, and direct requests from stakeholders.

Multi-faceted Performance Testing Programs

Evaluate the readiness of safeguards and security protection systems and strategies in protecting DOE assets.

CAPABILITIES

- ◆ **Provide** multi-disciplinary expertise on safeguards and security policy, training, and implementation.
- ◆ **Assess** the security performance of DOE facilities against Departmental and other government agency policies.
- ◆ **Conduct** realistic, scenario-based exercises and comprehensive performance testing activities, furthering U.S. nuclear security.
- ◆ **Maintain** a composite adversary team with advanced weapons and tactics expertise, supported by an Engagement Simulation Systems (ESS) team of expert armorers and technicians, to realistically provide performance testing and training essential to protecting national security assets.
- ◆ **Identify** emerging and unrecognized risks before they affect mission execution.
- ◆ **Deliver** continuous improvement across the enterprise by participating in working groups, policy implementation panels, training development, and sharing best practices.
- ◆ **Enhance** transparency, continual education, and networking through benchmarking and stakeholder participation in appraisals.



IMPACT

Protects nuclear and other high-consequence assets essential to U.S. national security.

Strengthens confidence among DOE leadership and Congress in DOE's national security posture.

Improves consistency and performance across safeguards and security programs.

Strengthens DOE's credibility as a self-regulating national security organization.

Supports U.S. deterrence and global stability through effective asset protection.

