§ 710.5 Definitions.

(a) As used in this subpart:

Access authorization means an administrative determination that an individual is eligible for access to classified...
matter or is eligible for access to, or control over, special nuclear material.

Classified Matter means the material of thought or expression that is classified pursuant to statute or Executive Order.

DOE Counsel means a DOE attorney assigned to represent DOE in proceedings under this subpart. DOE Counsel shall be a U.S. citizen and shall have been subject to a favorably adjudicated background investigation.

Hearing Officer means a DOE attorney or senior management official appointed by the Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals, pursuant to §710.25. A Hearing Officer shall be a U.S. citizen and shall have been subject to a favorably adjudicated background investigation.

Local Director of Security means the individual with primary responsibility for safeguards and security at the Chicago, Idaho, Oak Ridge, Richland, and Savannah River Operations Offices and the Pittsburgh and Schenectady Naval Reactors Offices; the Manager, National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) Service Center; for Washington, DC area cases, the Director, Office of Security Operations; and any person designated in writing to serve in one of the aforementioned positions in an acting capacity.

Manager means the Manager of a DOE Operations Office (Albuquerque, Chicago, Idaho, Nevada, Oak Ridge, Oakland, Richland, or Savannah River), the Manager of the Pittsburgh Naval Reactors Office, the Manager of the Schenectady Naval Reactors Office, and, for Washington, DC area cases, the Director, Office of Personnel Security.

National Security Information means any information that has been determined, pursuant to Executive Order 12958 or any predecessor Order, to require protection against unauthorized disclosure and that is so designated.

Secretary means the Secretary of Energy, as provided by section 201 of the Department of Energy Organization Act.

Special nuclear material means plutonium, uranium enriched in the isotope 233, or in the isotope 235, and any other material which, pursuant to the provisions of Section 51 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, has been determined to be special nuclear material, but does not include source material; or any material artificially enriched by any of the foregoing, not including source material.

(b) Throughout this subpart the use of the male gender shall include the female gender and vice versa.


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§ 710.6 Cooperation by the individual.

(a)(1) It is the responsibility of the individual to cooperate by providing full, frank, and truthful answers to DOE’s relevant and material questions, and when requested, to furnish or authorize others to furnish information that the DOE deems pertinent to the individual’s eligibility for DOE access authorization. This obligation to cooperate applies when completing security forms, during the course of a personnel security background investigation or reinvestigation, and at any stage of DOE’s processing of the individual’s access authorization, including but not limited to, personnel security interviews, DOE-sponsored mental evaluations, and other authorized DOE investigative activities under this subpart. The individual may elect not to cooperate; however, such refusal may prevent DOE from reaching an affirmative finding required for granting or continuing access authorization. In this event, any access authorization then in effect may be terminated, or, for applicants, further processing may be suspended.

(2) It is the responsibility of an individual subject to §709.3(d) to consent to and take an event-specific polygraph examination. A refusal to consent to or take such an examination may prevent DOE from reaching an affirmative finding required for continuing access authorization. In this event, DOE may suspend or terminate any access authorization.

(b) If the individual believes that the provisions of paragraph (a) of this section have been inappropriately applied