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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
DELEGATION ORDER NO. 00-013.00A
TO THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

1. DELEGATION. Under the authority vested in me as Secretary of Energy and pursuant to section 642 of the Department of Energy Organization Act (Public Law 95-91, 42 U.S.C. 7252), I delegate to the Department of Energy's Chief Financial Officer authority to take the following actions:
 - 1.1 Determine the existence and amount of employee indebtedness and the method of collecting repayments as provided by 5 U.S.C. 5514.
 - 1.2 Exercise the authority of the Secretary related to the waiver of claims arising out of erroneous payments of pay or allowances or travel, transportation, or relocation allowances as provided in 5 U.S.C. 5584.
 - 1.3 Exercise the duties and responsibilities of the Secretary for authorizing and approving travel and establishing policies and procedures on behalf of the Secretary with respect to employee travel and relocation allowances under 5 U.S.C., chapter 57, and the Federal Travel Regulation.
 - 1.4 Certify vouchers and provide written authorization to Department of Energy (DOE or Department) employees to certify vouchers as provided in 31 U.S.C. 3325.
 - 1.5 Carry out the responsibilities assigned to the Secretary with regard to the exchange of funds between the Department and the States (31 U.S.C. 6503) and the timely disbursement of funds (31 U.S.C. 3335).
 - 1.6 In accordance with the Department of Justice's Office of Legal Counsel opinion, Comptroller General's Authority to Relieve Disbursing and Certifying Officials From Liability, 15 Op. O.L.C. 80 (1991), grant relief from accountability for losses or deficiencies of disbursing officers, cashiers, or other accountable officers.
 - 1.7 Process the payment of claims by employees for personal property losses as provided by 31 U.S.C. 3721.
 - 1.8 Carry out the responsibilities assigned to the Secretary with respect to prompt payments as provided in 31 U.S.C., chapter 39.
 - 1.9 Act as trustee for Department of Energy escrow funds and carry out the responsibilities assigned to the Secretary for investing excess balances with the Department of the Treasury in Treasury non-marketable Government account series securities or with minority financial institutions as provided in the "Department of Energy - Department of Treasury Agreement on

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Establishment of a Deposit Fund Escrow Account for Payments in Regard to Possible or Actual Violations of Law Enforced by DOE," of April 7, 1980.

- 1.10. Exercise the responsibilities assigned to the Secretary in 31 U.S.C. 3332(b)(1) with respect to the granting of waivers of the requirement to receive wage and salary payments electronically.
 - 1.11. Exercise the responsibilities assigned to the Secretary in 31 U.S.C. 3332(e)(2) with respect to the granting of waivers of the requirement to make all recipient payments electronically.
 - 1.12. Exercise the authority to act as the Secretary's designee to review proposed management decisions with respect to Inspector General and Government Accountability Office reports.
 - 1.13. Administer the Working Capital Fund.
 - 1.14. Serve as the Contracting Officer to enter into, administer, and terminate DOE Loan Guarantee Agreements and all related nonprocurement documents, other than the termination of conditional commitments for Title XVII loan guarantees, issued pursuant to Title XVII of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 16511-16514, and to enter into, administer and terminate loan agreements and related nonprocurement documents for loans issued pursuant to section 136(d) of the Energy Independence and Security Act, 42 U.S.C. 17013(d); provided that the foregoing authority shall be exercised only after the Secretary or his delegate has granted final approval of the applicable loan or loan guarantee transaction (or, in the case of the execution and administering of a conditional commitment only after, the Secretary or his delegate has granted approval of such conditional commitment). This authority may be redelegated; however, such redelegation shall not be below the level of the Director, Loan Guarantee Program or the Director, Advanced Technology Vehicle Manufacturing Program.
2. RESCISSION. Delegation Order No. 00-008.00A is hereby rescinded.
 3. LIMITATION.
 - 3.1 In exercising the authority delegated in this Order, a delegate shall be governed by the rules and regulations of the Department of Energy and the policies and procedures prescribed by the Secretary or delegate(s).
 - 3.2 Nothing in this Order precludes the Secretary from exercising any of the authority delegated by this Order.

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3.3 Nothing in this Order shall be construed to supersede or otherwise interfere with the authorities provided to the Under Secretary for Nuclear Security by law or by delegation. Furthermore, nothing herein constitutes authority to exercise authority, direction, or control of an employee of the National Nuclear Security Administration or its contractors. At the same time, nothing herein constrains the Chief Financial Officer's authority under the Chief Financial Officers Act of 1990 to provide policy guidance and oversight of the Department's financial management personnel, activities, and operations.

3.4 Any amendments to this Order shall be in consultation with the Department of Energy General Counsel.

4. AUTHORITY TO REDELEGATE.

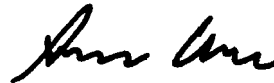
4.1 Except as expressly prohibited by law, regulation, or this Order, the Chief Financial Officer may delegate this authority further, in whole or in part.

4.2 Copies of redelegations and any subsequent redelegations shall be provided to the Office of Management, which manages the Secretarial Delegations of Authority system.

5. DURATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

5.1 All actions pursuant to any authority delegated prior to this Order or pursuant to any authority delegated by this Order taken prior to and in effect on the date of this Order are ratified and remain in force as if taken under this Order, unless or until rescinded, amended or superseded.

5.2 This Order is effective August 19, 2009



Steven Chu
Secretary of Energy