1. **DELEGATION.** Pursuant to the authority vested in me by Delegation Order No. 00-015.01A, I delegate to the Assistant General Counsel for Litigation the authority to:

   1.1 On a nonexclusive basis, assert in litigation the deliberative process privilege and other legally-recognized privilege.

2. **RESCISSION.** None.

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 or the General Counsel, Deputy General Counsel or Deputy General Counsel for Litigation and Enforcement from exercising any of the authority delegated by this Order.

   3.3 Nothing in this Order shall be construed to supersede or otherwise interfere with the authorities provided to the Administrator 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.

4. **AUTHORITY TO REDELEGATE.**

   4.1 This authority may not be redelegated.

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and in effect on the date of this Order are ratified and remain in force as if taken under this Order, unless or until rescinded, amended or superseded.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 21 June 2012.

   [Signature]

   Timothy G. Lynch
   Deputy General Counsel
   For Litigation and Enforcement