

**U.S. Department of Energy**  
**Washington, D.C.**

**ORDER**

**DOE O 100.1B**

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**SUBJECT: SECRETARIAL SUCCESSION**

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1. PURPOSE. To establish the Secretarial line of succession in the Department of Energy pursuant to section 202(a) of the Department of Energy Organization Act, 42 U.S.C. 7132( a).
2. CANCELLATION. DOE O 100.1A, SECRETARIAL SUCCESSION, dated 2-14-03.
3. LINE OF SUCCESSION. The following officials, in the order indicated, shall act as Secretary of Energy in the event of the absence or disability of the Secretary, until the absence or disability ceases, or in the case of a vacancy, until a successor is appointed:
  - a. Deputy Secretary
  - b. Under Secretary for Nuclear Security
  - c. Under Secretary, including an individual serving as Acting Under Secretary
  - d. General Counsel
  - e. Chief of Staff, Office of the Secretary
  - f. Director, NNSA Service Center
4. No individual serving in an acting capacity in the positions described in 3.a. through f., other than an individual described in 3.c. above, is included in this succession Order.
5. Any official serving as acting Secretary pursuant to this succession Order, during the period of service as acting Secretary under this Order, may exercise all authority vested by law in the Secretary.



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Secretary of Energy