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Program Executive Offices, NSPS ATTN: Mr. Brad Bunn 1400 Key Boulevard, Suite B-200 Arlington, Virginia 22209-5144

RE: National Security Personnel System

Dear Mr. Bunn:

This letter is being written to express the concerns I have in regard to the changes to work rules in the Department of Defense; specifically the National Security Personnel System.

The regulations, which were printed in the Federal Register on February 14, 2005, change the way workers are paid, evaluated, promoted, scheduled and treated. These rules strongly indicate federal managers would be influenced by favoritism rather than merits. The employees who help defend our country should be treated with respect and honor, not as though they are our enemy! NSPS is certain to create a competitive, dissention-filled environment for DoD employees, doing more harm than good.

These Federal employees signed up for civilian jobs – they did not enlist in the military. America is at war in Iraq; do not bring it to the home front by attacking these workers basic rights. Please do the right thing by rethinking this proposal. Protect the process that has provided the high quality of service for which the Anniston Army Depot is most noted.

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Sincerely,

Jim Preuitt State Senator

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