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Subject: Y-12 National Security Complex - Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) Overflight.

Issue: On October 8, 2021, at approximately 2055 hours, Y-12 National Security Complex Fire Department employees reported a UAS overflight.

Context: On Friday evening, October 8, 2021, at 2055 hours, the Y-12 Fire Department called the Operations Center to report a UAS spotted over the west side of the site. The three witnesses could not tell if the UAS was a rotary wing or fixed wing craft. It had two flashing lights, appeared to be about three feet in width, and estimated to be approximately 80 feet above ground level. It passed slowly over the fire station, in a straight line, and disappeared over the south ridge of the site. Total time was estimated at three to four minutes. There was no video surveillance of the UAS and no further sightings.

Significance: In December 2017, the Federal Aviation Administration and the Department of Energy (DOE) directed that drone flights be restricted over all DOE facilities for the welfare of national security. These restrictions include nuclear assembly facilities, laboratories, and research centers.

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