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The Honorable John T. Conway
Chairman
Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board
625 Indiana Avenue, N.W.
Suite 700
Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Consistent with the Department's implementation plan (98-2 Plan) for the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board's (The Board) Recommendation 98-2, the following provides detail on the deliverables due within the month of September.

1. Deliverable 5.6.1b – Integrated Safety Management System Verification (ISMSV) Phase 1 Review and Report. On September 10, 1999, the Department transmitted a copy of the ISMSV Review Plan. At that time, the ISMSV review was scheduled to occur September 20-30, 1999. Due to competing priorities, the ISMSV Review is not scheduled to occur until the October/November 1999 timeframe. The ISMSV Report will follow shortly thereafter. As a result, this deliverable remains open.
2. Deliverable 5.8.3c – Prepare a long-term management personnel plan for the strengths, weaknesses, opportunity and threat (SWOT) analysis for the skills needed to prepare authorization basis documents. The authorization basis SWOT analysis and the compensatory measure action plan was delivered to the Board with May and June deliverables respectively. On September 23, 1999, the Amarillo Area Office (AAO) received the long-term personnel plan required for the September 1999 deliverable. The long-term management personnel plan has been reviewed and AAO has determined that the plan does not adequately assess or address the MHC authorization basis personnel issues. Therefore, MHC is being requested to revise the plan to correct the deficiencies. A revised plan is expected during the month of November 1999. Upon receipt, a copy will be provided to the Board. As result, this deliverable remains open.

If you have any questions, please contact me, or have your staff contact Dan Glenn at 505-665-6028.

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