



Department of Energy

Washington, DC 20585

July 30, 1998

The Honorable John T. Conway
Chairman
Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board
625 Indiana Avenue, NW
Suite 700
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Mr. Chairman:

During the public meeting on Recommendation 94-1 held on June 2, 1998, we committed to provide you with documentation of the current status of 94-1 milestones and the Department's plans to revise the 94-1 Implementation Plan. That material was to be provided to the Board by June 30, 1998. Due to continuing interactions with your staff on the content and format of the information to be provided, that documentation, now referred to as a Technical Update, will not be completed until the end of August.

The Technical Update will provide:

- Milestone dates previously submitted by the Department and accepted by the Board;
- Updated descriptions of plans and processes being considered by the Department for stabilizing remaining nuclear materials; and
- Updated inventories of nuclear materials requiring stabilization.

We appreciate the dialogue with your staff as we lay the groundwork for the comprehensive revision of the 94-1 Implementation Plan. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or have your staff contact Mr. John Tseng, Acting Director, Nuclear Materials Stabilization Task Group, at (202) 586-0383.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James M. Owendoff".

James M. Owendoff
Acting Assistant Secretary
for Environmental Management

cc: M. Whitaker, S-3.1