

## The Deputy Secretary of Energy

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

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In response to your letter of March 20, 1998, requesting a Department report addressing various Department assessment and corrective action programs, we have obtained inputs from the field and line organizations and we are finalizing the requested report. We will need an additional 15 days to complete the report, until June 3, 1998. Our understanding is that this schedule will permit sufficient time for your review of this material prior to the June 24, 1998, public meeting on integrated safety management.

If you have any questions, please contact me or have your staff contact Richard Crowe at 202/586-1418.

Sincerely,

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