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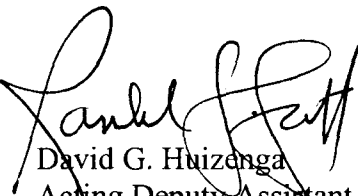
The Honorable John T. Conway
Chairman
Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board
625 Indiana Avenue, NW, Suite 700
Washington, D.C. 20004-2901

Dear Mr. Chairman:

With this letter I am pleased to report early completion of one of the commitments found in the Department's 94-1 Implementation Plan. Commitment 302 to drain six actinide systems in B771 at Rocky Flats was due in September 1999. The closure package for this commitment is enclosed documenting that the last of the six actinide systems was drained in B771 on August 24, 1999. Therefore, we propose closure of this commitment.

We continue to closely track progress on all Recommendation 94-1 commitments and will keep you and your staff apprised of our progress. If you have any questions, please contact me or have your staff call me on 202/ 586-5151.

Sincerely,

for 

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ROCKY FLATS FIELD OFFICE WEEKLY REPORT

September 1, 1999

I. Schedule

II. Key Departmental News

III. Work on Secretarial Initiatives

Accelerated Closure of Sites

Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board 94-1 Commitment met (Rocky Flats): The last of the six actinide systems were drained in Building 771 on August 24. This completes the DNFSB commitment due for September 1999.

Building 886 Highly Enriched Uranium Tank Removal (Rocky Flats): All of the nine uranium tanks have been removed from Building 886. The associated piping should complete work in the next couple of weeks.

IV. Press Inquiries

Story Related to Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (Rocky Flats): A Washington bureau reporter for the *Rocky Mountain News* is working on a story related to the September 9 Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board public meeting scheduled. The reporter has asked to speak with someone from Rocky Flats concerning the status of recommendation 94-1 issues.

V. FOIA Requests

FOIA Request for Contract Information (Rocky Flats): A FOIA request was received on August 30 from Rocky Flats Engineers and Constructors. The requester is seeking eight specific items with respect to the Kaiser-Hill contract and Rocky Mountain Remediation Services contract.

VI. Grants, Economic Announcements and Publications

VII. Climate Change

VIII. Disaster Assistance

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