



Department of Energy

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The Honorable John T. Conway
Chairman
Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board
Suite 700
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Dear Mr. Chairman:

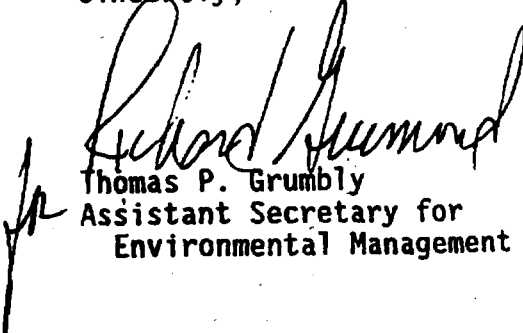
I am writing to notify you that the Department of Energy (Department) has made a change in a milestone responding to Recommendation 90-7.

Specifically, the Department committed to complete a final report on Microconvection Modeling in Ferrocyanide Waste Tanks by January 31, 1995. Everything that we wanted to accomplish with this microconvection task was completed in November 1994 in the interim report *Ferrocyanide Tank Safety Project: Computational Analysis of Coupled Fluid, Heat, and Mass Transport in Ferrocyanide Single-Shell Tanks: FY 1994 Interim Report*, PNL-10163, Pacific Northwest Laboratory, Richland, Washington [November 1994]. This report includes the results of the Ferrocyanide Safety Project report, *Solubility of Ferrocyanide Compounds*, PNL-10150, dated October 1994. The Department closed this task since a final report was unnecessary.

Our Recommendation 90-7 Implementation Plan requires that we report changes to milestones in our Recommendation 90-7 quarterly reports. Due to a tracking oversight, we failed to include the change on this task in our December 1994 and March 1995 quarterly reports. Therefore, I am now informing you of the substitution of the interim report for the final report and that this milestone is now considered to be complete. A copy of the interim report is enclosed. The Richland Operations Office has taken steps to ensure that all future changes in milestones will be captured in quarterly reports.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please call me at 202-586-7757, or your staff may call Charles O'Dell at 301-903-7192.

Sincerely,


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