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April 2, 1997

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

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I wanted to notify you of changes that I am making in the Safety Management Implementation Team (SMIT) associated with Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board recommendation 95-2. Mr. Frank McCoy will be returning to the Savannah River Site as the Assistant Manager for High Level Waste effective April 30, 1997. Mr. Richard Crowe will assume responsibility as Director of the SMIT at that time. Messrs. McCoy and Crowe will transition the leadership roles and responsibilities between now and April 30. Since Mr. Crowe has been an instrumental player in all SMIT activities to date, I expect the transition to be seamless. Mr. McCoy will continue in an active role as a member of the SMIT representing Savannah River and as an advisor to Mr. Crowe.

Mr. Crowe and the Implementation Team will continue to keep the Board and its staff informed on our progress in implementing the 95-2 Implementation Plan. Mr. Crowe has been tasked to ensure that full and open communications with the Board and its staff are maintained as we continue forward. The Board's continuing support and cooperation are appreciated as we continue our implementation activities.

Sincerely,

Thomas P. Grumbly