

## The Secretary of Energy Washington, DC 20585

November 24, 2010

The Honorable Peter Winokur Chairman Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board 625 Indiana Avenue, NW, Suite 700 Washington, DC 20004-2901

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Enclosed is the Department of Energy's (DOE) revised Implementation Plan (IP), which addresses the remaining open commitments for Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (Board) Recommendation 2001-1, *High-Level Waste Management at the Savannah River Site (SRS)*. This revision reflects the changes you requested in your letter dated May 27, 2010.

The remaining open commitments for Recommendation 2001-1 relate to projects for the startup of the Salt Waste Processing Facility; the return of Tank 48 to tank farm service; and the return of Tank 50 to higher curie tank-farm service. The enclosed IP revision — Revision 6 — describes the remaining open commitments and updates each commitment's milestones based on DOE-approved schedules for the project. Revision 6 also includes additional interim milestones (one per year) toward completion of each commitment, as suggested by the Board.

If you have any further questions, please contact me or Dr. Inés R. Triay, Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management, at (202) 586-7709.

Sincerely,

Steven Chu

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