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Dear Mr. Kasdorf:

This letter forwards supplemental information to the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board to support closing out of Findings #1, #2, and #4 for certification of the resolution of safety issues raised by the Board on the design of the Chemistry and Metallurgy Research Building Replacement Project. Certification of the resolution of such issues by the Board and National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) were mandated by Congress in Section 3112 of the Duncan Hunter National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009.

The supplemental information for Findings #1 and #2 is provided in the letter signed by the Federal Project Director, dated July 28, 2009. This information documents technical agreements that have been reached between the Project team and the Board staff on Findings #1 and #2. The agreements relate to seismic design matters. I understand that these Findings have been resolved.

The supplemental information for Finding #4 was forwarded by the Site Office Manager on August 4, 2009. The additional information demonstrates how the safety controls, safety functions, and safety requirements are managed and tied together. I trust that the referenced material satisfies the Board staff's expectations.

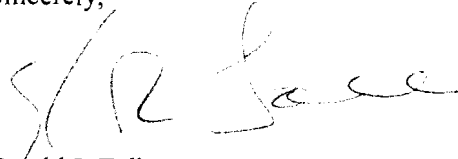
The voluminous technical information associated with the letters from the Federal Project Director and the Site Manager was forwarded electronically to the Board separately and is not re-transmitted here.

I understand that the referenced sets of supplemental information complete the information needs that the Board staff has identified to NNSA that the staff requires to support the Board's certification process. Accordingly, I look forward to closing out the outstanding Findings expeditiously and to finalizing efforts to coordinate the remaining matters to complete our certification processes.



If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or to have your staff contact Patrick Rhoads at (202) 586-7859.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. L. Talbot, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

For

Gerald L Talbot, Jr.
Assistant Deputy Administrator
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Attachments