

Department of Energy Washington, DC 20585

January 19,2010

The Honorable John E. Mansfield Vice-Chairman Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board 625 Indiana Avenue NW, Suite 700 Washington, DC 20004-2901

Dear Mr. Vice-Chairman:

This letter is to inform you of the completion of Commitment 5.2.6, comprising Commitments 5.2.6.1 through 5.2.6.8, in the Department of Energy (DOE) *Implementation Plan for Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board Recommendation* 2007-01, dated October 24,2007.

Commitments 5.2.6.1 through 5.2.6.8 identify good practices with respect to training and qualification, design requirements for new facilities and equipment, standards for conducting *in situ* NDA holdup measurements, implementation standards, research and development, roles and responsibilities of NDA personnel, and oversight. A report documenting the good practices is attached.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me at (301) 903-4218.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

