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July 18, 1994

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

Dear Mr. Chairman:

This will acknowledge receipt of your Recommendation 94-1, Improved Schedule for Remediation in the Defense Nuclear Facilities Complex. The issues identified are extensive and may have significant impact on many of our existing programs in the Recommendation and Plans. Accordingly, the Department will require additional time to fully evaluate these cross-cutting issues and their impact from both a Headquarters and field perspective.

In accordance with 42 U.S.C. 2286d, the Department requests an additional 45 days to respond to Recommendation 94-1. If a 45-day-extension is granted, the Department will respond to the Board by September 1, 1994.

Sincerely,

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