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February 24, 1995

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

Dear Mr. Conway:

This is to advise you, pursuant to 42 U. S. C. 2286d(e), that the Department of Energy will require an additional 45 days to respond to the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety [Board Recommendation 94-3](#), regarding seismic and systems safety at the Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site.

The Department recently made some management changes at the Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site. Because of these changes, and the need for the development of acceptance criteria for safety adequacy and systems for identifying facility upgrades, more time is necessary to respond. In addition, the Department believes that it is necessary to integrate its response to Recommendation 94-3 with Recommendation 90-5, (Systematic Evaluation Program). The Implementation Plan for Recommendation 94-3 will be provided to the Board by April 10, 1995.

Sincerely,

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