

**[DNFSB LETTERHEAD]**

December 22, 1995

The Honorable Hazel R. O'Leary  
Secretary of Energy  
Washington, D. C. 20585-1000

Dear Secretary O'Leary:

At our meeting on December 14, 1995, we agreed to further discussion about comparability of the necessary and sufficient concept program with the concept set forth in Recommendation 95-2. Consistent with this agreement, the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (Board) has designated a small group of technical personnel to interface with designated technical personnel from the Department of Energy.

Board Members Herbert Kouts and Joseph DiNunno, supported by technical staff members George Cunningham, Steven Krahn, and Lester Ettlinger, have been designated to represent the Board and are prepared to meet at the earliest convenient time with your designated representative, Assistant Secretary Tara O'Toole and her technical support staff.

Sincerely yours,

***John T. Conway***  
Chairman

c: The Honorable Charles B. Curtis  
The Honorable Thomas P. Grumbly

The Honorable Tara J. O'Toole  
Mr. Mark B. Whitaker