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The Honorable John T. Conway
Chairman
Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board
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Dear Mr. Chairman:

Enclosed is the Department of Energy's (DOE) Final Report, [Complex-Wide Review of DOE's Low-Level Waste Management ES&H Vulnerabilities](#), dated May 1996. DOE committed to provide this deliverable in my letter dated April 12, 1996. The deliverable includes three volumes and one appendix. Volume I provides an overall summary of the complex-wide review effort, including the assessment methodology, site specific vulnerabilities, complex-wide vulnerabilities, and DOE's conclusions and recommendations. Volume II discusses in detail the assessment methodology and evaluation instruments developed by DOE for the complex-wide review. Volume III includes the Site-Specific Assessment Reports for each of the 38 sites for which assessments were conducted, including 8 sites (10 facilities) for which on-site assessments were conducted and 28 sites for which assessments were conducted through document reviews and interviews with DOE Headquarters, Field Office, and site personnel. The appendix includes biographical sketches of Working Group Assessment Team members, excerpts from the Integrated Data Base Report-1994, and Vulnerability Assessment Forms supporting the Site Specific Assessment Reports.

This document is unclassified and is suitable for final placement in the public document room. DOE is transmitting this report to the DNFSB and DOE managers to complete all actions associated with Task Initiative 3: "Conduct First Priority On-Site Independent Assessment," of Chapter V of the March 31, 1995, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board 94-2 Implementation Plan.

Sincerely,

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