



**Department of Energy**  
Washington, DC 20585

August 20, 1998

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

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The July 1998 deliverables called for in the Department's Implementation Plan for Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board Recommendation 94-4 are enclosed. A list of the deliverables is included as Enclosure 1.

The remaining implementation plan deliverables are documents associated with the resumption of Phase A-2 and Phase B of Enriched Uranium Operations at the Y-12 Plant. It has been found that quarterly reporting on the remaining open items has limited utility. Documents associated with the resumption effort are routinely delivered to the Board Staff as they are completed. The Department proposes that the Recommendation 94-4 Quarterly Reports be discontinued, and that status of the remaining open items be reported to the Board on an annual basis, with the next report planned for July 30, 1999. Implementation Plan deliverables associated with this recommendation will continue to be transmitted to the Board, as they are completed.

If you have any questions, please contact me or have your staff contact Phil Aiken at (301) 903-4513.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gene Ives".

Gene Ives  
Deputy Assistant Secretary  
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3 Enclosures

cc w/enclosures:  
✓ M. Whitaker, S-3.1