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The Honorable John T. Conway, Chairman
Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board
625 Indiana Avenue, NW
Suite 700
Washington, DC 20004-2901

Dear Mr. Conway:

On September 13, 1999, I appointed a Type B Accident Investigation Board to investigate the intakes of plutonium that occurred at the FB-Line facility on September 1, 1999.

The investigation and report were completed in accordance with DOE Order 225.1A, "Accident Investigations." A copy of the report is enclosed for your use. I have also provided copies to your site representatives. We would be pleased to brief the Safety Board on the results of the investigation, either in your Washington, DC office or via a videoconference at your convenience.

Any questions may be directed to me or Jeff Allison, Accident Investigation Board Chairman, at 803-725-0365.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Greg Rudy".

Greg Rudy
Manager

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Enclosure:
Type B Accident Investigation
Report

cc w/o encl:
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