



Department of Energy

Washington, DC 20585

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The Honorable John T. Conway
Chairman
Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board
625 Indiana Avenue, N.W., Suite 700
Washington, D.C. 20004-2901

Dear Mr. Chairman:

With this letter I am pleased to report completion of an overdue commitment from the Department of Energy 2000-1 Implementation Plan, *Stabilization and Storage of Nuclear Material*. The following commitment is proposed for closure:

201 Begin converting pre-existing H-Canyon Pu-239 solution to oxide.

Conversion of the solution to oxide began in HB-Line Phase II on January 23, 2002.

We continue to closely track progress on all Recommendation 2000-1 commitments and will keep you and your staff apprised of our progress. If you have any questions, please contact me or have your staff call me at (301) 903-7130.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patrice M. Bubar".

Patrice M. Bubar
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cc:

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