



Department of Energy
National Nuclear Security Administration
Washington, DC 20585
June 4, 2004

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:

In your letter of July 9, 2003, you requested that our site offices report on the scope and periodicity of the contractor training assessment conducted as required by Department of Energy Order 5480.20A. In a letter dated October 2, 2003, I indicated that the Department of Energy Livermore Site Office would complete its training assessment of contractors by May 6, 2004. The National Nuclear Safety Administration Service Center has notified the Livermore Site Office that they will not be able to support that assessment until June 2004, because of their ongoing support for various Operational Readiness Reviews. The Livermore Site Office Manager has informed me that it is therefore necessary to move the completion date of the training assessment to August 6, 2004.

Ms. Camille Yuan-Soo Hoo, Manager, Livermore Site Office, is responsible for overseeing the training assessment. Please feel free to contact Ms. Yuan-Soo Hoo, or have your staff contact Ralph Kopenhaver at 925-422-3136 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Everet H. Beckner".

Everet H. Beckner
Deputy Administrator
for Defense Programs

cc: C. Yuan-Soo Hoo, DOE-LSO
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