



Department of Energy

Washington, DC 20585

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The Honorable Peter S. Winokur
Chairman
Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board
625 Indiana Avenue, NW, Suite 700
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The purpose of this letter is to transmit the Safety Conscious Work Environment (SCWE) self-assessment reports for the Office of Environmental Management (EM) Federal and contractor Organizations, as required by Action 2-5 of the Department of Energy's (DOE) Implementation Plan (IP) for Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (Board) Recommendation 2011-1, *Safety Culture at the Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant*. As described in the IP, this transmittal includes SCWE self-assessment reports from the Savannah River Site/Savannah River Operations Office; the EM programs at the Idaho Site and Idaho Operations Office; the Hanford Site, Richland Operations Office (RL) and Office of River Protection; the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant/Carlsbad Field Office; the East Tennessee Technology Park/Oak Ridge Operations Office; and an Independent Oversight Assessment of Safety Culture at EM Headquarters. RL is completing a summary report of the conclusions and recommendations from the RL SCWE self-assessments over the next few weeks. EM will provide that summary report to the Board when it is complete.

In accordance with Action 2-8 of the IP, DOE is utilizing a cross functional team to develop a consolidated report on the results from the extent of condition review information, which includes both the independent safety culture assessments and the SCWE self-assessments.

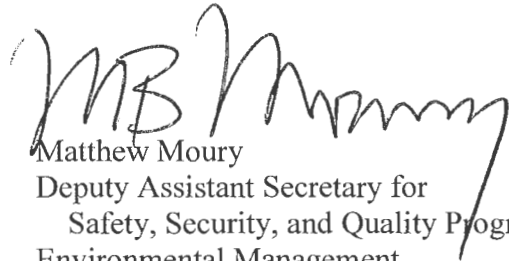
The Secretary and Deputy Secretary of Energy, in a memorandum dated September 20, 2013, asked the Heads of all Departmental Elements to join them in reaffirming their personal and professional commitment to safely fulfilling the Department's important mission responsibilities. They also stated they would like to revitalize our efforts to protect the health and safety of our employees, as well as the health and safety of those who reside in the communities in which the Department operates or are otherwise affected by our work. The memorandum is enclosed for your information.

These concepts reinforce the focus areas of Leadership, Employee Engagement and Organizational Learning from the DOE Integrated Safety Management System Guide. These focus areas have been introduced to over 1700 DOE and contractor leaders and managers across the DOE complex in the Leadership for a SCWE course.



If you have any questions, please contact me, at (202) 586-5151, or Mr. James Hutton, Associate Deputy Assistant Secretary for Safety, Security, and Quality Programs, at (202) 586-0975.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "MB Moury". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the initials "MB" being particularly prominent and stylized.

Matthew Moury
Deputy Assistant Secretary for
Safety, Security, and Quality Programs
Environmental Management

Enclosures