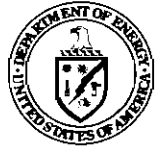




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May 17, 2011

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

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The National Nuclear Security Administration's (NNSA) briefing and report in response to your letter of April 20, 2011, on the Safety Posture of the Y-12 National Security Complex is due by May 20, 2011. NNSA will provide the briefing to the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (Board) during the Board's visit to the Y-12 Site the week of May 16, 2011. However, NNSA requests an additional 30 days to complete the report and transmit it to the Board.

If you have any questions, please contact James McConnell, Assistant Deputy Administrator for Nuclear Safety, Nuclear Operations, and Governance Reform, at (202) 586-4379.

Sincerely,

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