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

Dear Mr. Chairman:

COMPLETION OF DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD (DNFSB) RECOMMENDATION 93-5 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN (IP), REVISION 1, MILESTONE 5.4.3.5.h, "LETTER REPORTING COMPLETION OF SUPPORTING TECHNICAL DOCUMENT ON FLAMMABLE GAS SAFETY ISSUE"

This letter reports completion of the "Flammable Gas Project Topical Report," HNF-SP-1193, Revision 2, dated January 1997, which is identified under the DNFSB Recommendation 93-5 IP, Revision 1, Milestone 5.4.3.5.h.

The IP requires this topical report to describe the current understanding of the Flammable Gas Safety Issue and future work for resolution of the issue.

The U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office (RL) has completed the actions identified under this milestone and proposes closure of this commitment. This letter also completes the commitment made in December 1996 when RL reported that this milestone would be late.

A copy of the subject report, HNF-SP-1193, Revision 2, has been transmitted to your staff. If you have any questions, please contact me, or your staff may contact Jackson Kinzer, Assistant Manager for the Tank Waste Remediation System, on (509) 376-7591.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John D. Wagoner".

John D. Wagoner
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