

Department of Energy
Washington, DC 20585

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

Dear Mr. Conway:

As required by the Implementation Plan for Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (DNFSB) Recommendation 93-1, this progress report is forwarded providing information on Action 5 of the Implementation Plan.

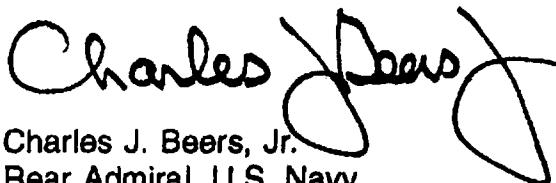
On September 30, 1994, an Action 4 Report for DNFSB Recommendation 93-1 was forwarded to you. Subsequent actions addressing this report and the Nuclear Explosive Safety Study Corrective Action Plan are being addressed separately and separate bi-monthly reports will be provided. Action 5 is the remaining portion of the implementation plan yet to be concluded. Completion of this action will provide the following deliverable: a corrective action plan and milestones for expediting and upgrading the Order Compliance Self-Assessment Program at Defense Nuclear Facilities which assemble, disassemble, and test nuclear weapons (Pantex, Oak Ridge Y-12, Nevada Test Site (NTS), Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL), and Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL)).

The Oak Ridge Y-12 Plan was previously submitted and accepted. Enclosures 1 and 2 of this letter provide the Amarillo Area Office (AAO) and Mason & Hanger Silas - Mason Co., Inc. (the managing and operating contractor at Pantex) plans to complete order compliance assessments at the facility level at Pantex. These are submitted in final to address Action 5 of the implementation plan. The AAO Plan is in two parts. The first part, dated December 12, 1994, is the basic plan. The second part, dated January 19, 1995, provides additional information against the basic plan which your staff requested from a meeting on December 15, 1994.

Enclosures 3, 4, and 5 are current updates on efforts at LANL, LLNL and the NTS, respectively, to complete their order compliance assessments. Headquarters staff are continuing to work with the field offices on completing each of the remaining sites' final plans to meet Action 5 within the implementation plan.

Should you have any questions, please contact me or have your staff contact Mike Mitchell at (301) 903-3085 regarding Enclosures 1 and 2, and Dick Crowe at (301) 903-6214 regarding Enclosures 3, 4, and 5. Dick Crowe will be providing further bi-monthly updates on the progress for completing Action 5 of the implementation plan.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Charles Beers". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

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Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for
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Enclosures

cc w/o enclosures:
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