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The Honorable Ernest J. Moniz  
Secretary of Energy  
U.S. Department of Energy  
1000 Independence Avenue, SW  
Washington, DC 20585-1000

Dear Secretary Moniz:

The Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board is pleased to recognize that Mr. Mark Hahn of Hanford's Richland Operations Office was recently honored as the recipient of the 2014 Department of Energy (DOE) Annual Safety System Oversight Award. Mr. Hahn, through hard work and dedication, applied his expertise in confinement ventilation systems to improve the safety of both the workers and the public, not only at Hanford, but at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant where he provided support during the accident investigation and recovery activities. These accomplishments make Mr. Hahn well deserving of this personal honor. We join you and your site managers in acknowledging the importance of the contributions made by DOE's safety system oversight personnel. We extend our sincerest congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Hahn.

This was the sixth year in which DOE formally recognized safety system oversight personnel for their important contributions to the operational safety of nuclear facilities. We encourage DOE to continue enhancing and strengthening the safety system oversight program. This key technical resource for overseeing contractor management of safety systems at nuclear facilities ensures that those systems will perform when needed and as required.

Sincerely,

  
Jessie H. Roberson  
Vice Chairman

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