DOE Response to Recommendation 94-5 of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, Integration of DOE Safety Rules, Orders, and Other Requirements

AGENCY: Department of Energy.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board published Recommendation 9405, concerning the Integration of DOE Safety Rules, Orders, and Other Requirements, in the Federal Register on January 6, 1995 (60 FR 2089). Section 315(e) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 2286d(e) requires the Department of Energy to transmit an implementation plan to the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board by June 5, 1995, or submit a notification of extension for an additional 45 days. The Secretary's notification of extension for an additional 45 days follows:

ADDRESSES: Send comments, data, views, or arguments concerning the Secretary's notification to: Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, 625 Indiana Avenue NW., Suite 700, Washington, DC 20004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Tara O'Toole, M.D., M.P.H., Assistant Secretary for Environment, Safety, and Health, Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585.


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

Dear Mr. Chairman: Please be advised that, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 2286d(e), the Department of Energy requires an additional 45 days to respond to the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board Recommendation 94-5, Integration of DOE Safety Rules, Orders, and Other Requirements.

The Department Standards Committee has assigned a focus group of Department senior
management to develop an Integrated Standards Management Plan. The Management Plan will be approved by the Department Standards Committee and will provide an integrated and coordinated approach for all standards activities in the transition from the old orders system to the new, revised orders or rules. A 45-day extension is required to define more clearly the order-to-rule transition process and to develop the Standards Management Plan that will provide input for the Implementation Plan. The Implementation Plan for Recommendation 94-5 will be provided by July 20, 1995.

Sincerely,

Hazel R. O'Leary.

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