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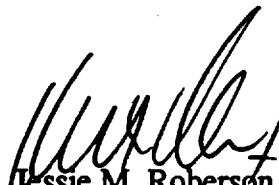
REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: ABG:NAM:07104SUBJECT: Transmittal of Kaiser-Hill Update Regarding Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board  
Recommendation 94-4

TO: Richard Guimond, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Environmental Management, EM-1, HQ

Attached is the Kaiser-Hill update of the Rocky Flats response to the Defense Nuclear Facility Safety Board (DNFSB) Recommendation 94-4 as it pertains to Building 771. While the previous EG&G response focused primarily on short term corrective actions and compensatory measures, the Kaiser-Hill response is more strategic in nature and provides a more comprehensive picture of our initiatives and plans for Conduct of Operations, Criticality Safety, Issues Management, and other critical safety and management programs.

The Rocky Flats Field Office (RFFO) concurs with Kaiser-Hill that the Recommendation should be closed with respect to Building 771 since the Building 771 incident specific activities, including DOE contractor operational readiness reviews, have been completed. Programmatic improvements identified in the Kaiser-Hill report are progressing. My staff is tracking the corrective actions, reports and program deliverables and will provide you with any further documentation upon your request.

In addition to the many initiatives and program improvements that Kaiser-Hill has outlined in their update, I would also like to point out that the RFFO has now been reorganized to more efficiently perform our duties. As part of this reorganization, we have strengthened our Environment, Safety, and Health Assessment capability, with almost half of my staff devoted to carrying out an integrated contractor oversight program. Our message to the contractor is clear: we are a demanding customer. The RFFO and Kaiser-Hill are committed to safety at the Site and will work to ensure that there is no future recurrence of an incident of this nature at Rocky Flats.



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