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April 2, 1997

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:

Effective March 10, 1997, Mr. Frank R. McCoy is designated as the Responsible Manager for implementation of Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board Recommendation 96-1. Mr. McCoy succeeds Mr. A. Lee Watkins as the Assistant Manager for High Level Waste, Savannah River Operations Office, and can be reached at (803) 208-6053.

Sincerely,

Alvin L. Alm Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management

cc: Mark Whitaker, Jr., S-3.1 Dr. Mario P. Fiori, SR