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National Nuclear Security Administration

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, DC 20004-2901

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Consistent with the Department of Energy's (DOE's) implementation plan for Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board Recommendation 2000-2, Configuration Management, Vital Safety Systems, I am advising you that a revision to the Nuclear Air Cleaning Handbook, ERDA 76-21, has been placed into the Department's directive system for DOE-wide review. This fulfills Commitment 23 in DOE's implementation plan.

If you have any questions please call me at 202 586-6847, or have your staff contact Richard Crowe at 301 903-6214 or Jim Slawski at 301 903-5464.

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