



Department of Energy

Washington, DC 20585

December 4, 2003

The Honorable John T. Conway
Chairman
Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board
625 Indiana Avenue, NW
Suite 700
Washington, D.C. 20004-2091

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of completion of the Commitment 208 of Revision 2 to the *Implementation Plan for Stabilization and Storage of Nuclear Material* for the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board Recommendation 2000-1, July 2002.

Commitment 208 is to begin operation of the new furnaces and high firing plutonium oxide for stabilization and packaging to DOE-STD-3013. This activity was started on October 25, 2003. If you have any questions, please call me at (202) 586-7709 or Mr. Paul Golan, Chief Operating Officer, at (202) 586-0738.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jessie Hill Roberson".

Jessie Hill Roberson
Assistant Secretary for
Environmental Management

cc: Mark Whitaker, DR-1
Jeffrey M. Allison, SR

