



**Department of Energy**  
**National Nuclear Security Administration**  
Washington, DC 20585

June 4, 2004

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:

In your letter of July 9, 2003, you requested that our site offices report on the scope and periodicity of the contractor training assessment conducted as required by Department of Energy Order 5480.20A. In a letter dated October 2, 2003, I indicated that the Department of Energy Livermore Site Office would complete its training assessment of contractors by May 6, 2004. The National Nuclear Safety Administration Service Center has notified the Livermore Site Office that they will not be able to support that assessment until June 2004, because of their ongoing support for various Operational Readiness Reviews. The Livermore Site Office Manager has informed me that it is therefore necessary to move the completion date of the training assessment to August 6, 2004.

Ms. Camille Yuan-Soo Hoo, Manager, Livermore Site Office, is responsible for overseeing the training assessment. Please feel free to contact Ms. Yuan-Soo Hoo, or have your staff contact Ralph Kopenhaver at 925-422-3136 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Everet H. Beckner".

Everet H. Beckner  
Deputy Administrator  
for Defense Programs

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