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OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

The Honorable A.J. Eggenberger
Acting Chairman
Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board
625 Indiana Avenue, N.W.
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Washington, D.C. 20004-2901

Dear Dr. Eggenberger:

This is in response to your October 8, 2004, letter. Enclosed is a memorandum from the Sandia Site Office (SSO) that forwards a report (Official Use Only) on the Corrective Action Plan for the April 19, 2004, skin contamination incident at Sandia National Laboratories (SNL-NM) Technical Area V. The SSO memorandum provides a summary of key activities that are being implemented to address the Board concerns. Some of the near term and longer term actions discussed in the report already are scheduled for completion.

You also requested a briefing on "the schedule and actions that will be taken to ensure that Integrated Safety Management (ISM) is fully implemented at SNL-NM." The Corrective Action Plan addresses ISM improvements specific to Technical Area V nuclear facilities. In April 2005, SSO completed its review of planned laboratory-wide ISM process improvements. During the Board's visit of June 7, 2005 to SNL, both SSO and SNL provided briefings on the status of these corrective actions and the status of ISM. Based on the meeting it is SSO's understanding that the Board and its staff will continue to monitor the progress in completing the corrective actions. If you have any questions please contact me or have your staff contact Mike Thompson at 301-903-5648.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "LFB".

Linton F. Brooks
Administrator

Enclosures

cc: M. Whitaker, DR-1



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