



The Under Secretary of Energy

Washington, DC 20585

March 3, 2006

The Honorable A. J. Eggenberger
Chairman
Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board
625 Indiana Avenue, NW, Suite 700
Washington, DC 20004-2901

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The purpose of this letter is to transmit approved Site Action Plans to improve work planning and work control (Commitment 23) and to improve feedback and improvement (Commitment 25), as delineated in the *U.S. Department of Energy's Implementation Plan to Improve Oversight of Nuclear Operations*. This Implementation Plan was in response to the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board Recommendation 2004-1, *Oversight of Complex, High-Hazard Nuclear Operations*, issued on May 21, 2004. The enclosed Site Action Plans complete the Energy, Science and Environment portions of Commitments 23 and 25 in the Implementation Plan.

In fulfillment of each of these commitments, the sites have all conducted assessments to identify areas for improvement in their work planning and work control processes and implementation and their feedback and improvement processes and implementation. The results of those assessments were used, in part, to develop the enclosed Site Action Plans. The full reviews and assessments have been provided to your technical staff.

If you have any questions, please call me at (202) 586-7700 or have a member of your staff contact Mr. Richard H. Lagdon at (202) 586-9471.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David K. Garman", with a horizontal line underneath.

David K. Garman

Enclosures

Commitment 23
Commitment 25

