The Honorable John E. Mansfield
Vice Chairman
Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board
625 Indiana Avenue, N.W., Suite 700
Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Mr. Vice Chairman:

On December 2, 2009, the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (DNFSB) issued a letter providing a 90-day reporting requirement for a report on the actions taken or planned by the Los Alamos Site Office (LASO) and Los Alamos National Security, LLC (LANS) to address work planning and controls deficiencies. The National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) is working with LANS to develop the requested response.

NNSA will require additional time to complete the response and expects to submit the response no later than April 2, 2010.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact me or have your staff contact Mr. James McConnell at (202) 586-4379.

Sincerely,

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