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The Honorable Steven Chu Secretary of Energy U.S. Department of Energy 1000 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20585-1000

Dear Secretary Chu:

Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 2286d(a), the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (Board) published Recommendation 2011-1, Safety Culture at the Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant, in the Federal Register and invited comments, data, views, or arguments concerning the Recommendation from interested persons by July 20, 2011.

The enclosed comments concerning Recommendation 2011-1 have been received by the Board and made available to the public on the Board's internet web site. As required by 42 U.S.C. § 2286d(c), the comments are being provided to you for your consideration and use in developing your implementation plan for Recommendation 2011-1.

Sincerely,

Peter S. Winokur, Ph.D.

Chairman

cc: Mrs. Mari-Jo Campagnone

Enclosure