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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:

The organization for integrating the implementation of Recommendation 94-1 has been changed. Enclosed is a copy of the 94-1 Implementation Plan change assigning responsibility for Department-wide integration of nuclear materials stabilization activities to the Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management. It also identifies the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Nuclear Material and Facility Stabilization as the responsible manager for the integration of Recommendation 94-1 Implementation Plan activities and milestones. The Nuclear Materials Stabilization Task Group will report to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Nuclear Material and Facility Stabilization. This change comes because of the Department's recent realignment.

The new organizational structure aligns the integration and management function of the Task Group with the line program offices responsible for most of the 94-1 activities. The Defense Programs and other program office nuclear materials included in the 94-1 Implementation Plan make up a small portion of the total and will continue under the program direction of those offices with continued coordination by the Task Group.

If you have any questions, please contact me or have a member of your staff contact Mr. Henry F. Dalton, Acting Director, Nuclear Materials Stabilization Task Group, at (202) 586-7503.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Hazel R. O'Leary".

Hazel R. O'Leary

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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR
ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR
DEFENSE PROGRAMS

ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR
ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY AND HEALTH

ACTING DIRECTOR FOR
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DOE OPERATIONS OFFICE MANAGERS

OHIO FIELD OFFICE MANAGER

ROCKY FLATS FIELD OFFICE MANAGER

FROM:

HAZEL R. O'LEARY

SUBJECT:

Change to Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board
Recommendation 94-1 Implementation Plan: Change of
Organization

The Nuclear Materials Stabilization Task Group, reporting to the Under Secretary, was established to integrate the implementation of Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board Recommendation 94-1 (accelerated remediation). Under the departmental and Environmental Management realignment, the Nuclear Materials Stabilization Task Group will report to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Nuclear Material and Facility Stabilization within the Office of Environmental Management.

The Deputy Assistant Secretary for Nuclear Material and Facility Stabilization is now the responsible manager for the integration of 94-1 Implementation Plan activities and milestones. The following functional modifications will result from the organizational change:

- The Deputy Assistant Secretary will be responsible for reporting any schedule variances and their impacts on commitments to the Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management.

- The Deputy Assistant Secretary for Nuclear Material and Facility Stabilization will provide program direction for the integrated management of the stabilization of nuclear materials.
- Department-wide integration of nuclear materials will be the responsibility of the Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management. Issues between the offices of Environmental Management and Defense Programs that cannot be resolved will be resolved by the Under Secretary.
- The Deputy Assistant Secretary will report quarterly the progress of the Department in carrying out the 94-1 Implementation Plan to the Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management, who will forward copies of the reports to the Chairman of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board.
- The Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management will provide to the Board an annual report on the progress toward meeting the commitments in the Implementation Plan.

The new organizational structure aligns the integration and management function of the Task Group with the line program offices responsible for most of the 94-1 activities under the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Nuclear Material and Facility Stabilization. The Defense Programs and other program nuclear materials included in the 94-1 Implementation Plan make up a small portion of the overall material, and as such, will continue under the program direction of Defense Programs and the other program offices with continued coordination by the Task Group.

This organizational change constitutes a modification to the 94-1 Implementation Plan and this memorandum is the official change notice. All other commitments in the 94-1 Implementation Plan remain in effect.