



Department of Energy

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The Honorable John T. Conway
Chairman
Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board
625 Indiana Avenue, N.W., Ste 700
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Dear Mr. Chairman:

We are pleased to forward to you revision I of the Office of Environmental Management, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board Recommendation 93-4 generic Technical Management Plan. This document is being transmitted to you in accordance with the commitment made by the Office of Environmental Restoration to provide an annual update to the generic Technical Management Plan. Recommendation 93-4 requires the Department of Energy to develop a Technical Management Plan to address technical management and oversight of Environmental Restoration Management Contractors.

The generic Technical Management Plan identified the master list of Department personnel requirements and responsibilities contained in statutes, regulations, Department Orders, and consensus standards that are applicable to a potential action undertaken by the Office of Environmental Management. In addition, it established associated qualifications for each of the identified tasks and responsibilities. This master list of tasks and responsibilities was used to develop project-specific Technical Management Plans which tailored the master list of tasks to a specific project scope of work. It has currently been used as the basis for the Fernald and Richland Technical Management Plans.

Since the issuance of the generic Technical Management Plans, several significant developments within the Department have occurred which affect the master list of activities and identified qualifications requirements. These developments, which have been incorporated in the revision I update, include the following:

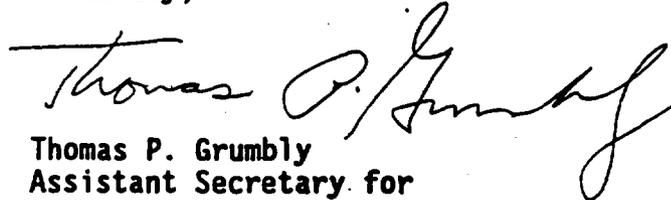
- Consolidation of Department Orders. The Department has implemented an aggressive effort to either eliminate or consolidate existing DOE Orders. Thus, a number of the listed tasks included in the original generic Technical Management Plan are no longer applicable.



- **Environment, Safety and Health Functions Assignments and Responsibilities Manual.** The issuance of this manual in December 1994 identifies the roles and responsibilities for the Department organizations at Headquarters and at the field offices. This manual was cross walked with the roles and responsibilities outlined in the revision I generic Technical Management Plan.
- **Department-Wide Functional Area Qualification Standards.** The standards respond to the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board Recommendation 93-3 Implementation Plan, which addresses the issues of technical qualifications of Departmental employees providing technical oversight and management of contractors. The revision I generic Technical Management Plan references these standards and the guide that implements them.

As specified in the 93-4 Implementation Plan, the Department will continue to keep the Board apprised of our progress by providing future quarterly status reports and by providing the documentation associated with the deliverables for each action specified in the Plan.

Sincerely,



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