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Washington, DC 20004-2901



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The Honorable Thad Cochran Chairman Committee on Appropriations U.S. Senate Room S-128, The Capitol Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Cochran:

Section 3201(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year 2018 requires that, not later than 10 days after the date on which the President's budget for Fiscal Year 2019 is submitted to Congress pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 1105(a), the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (Board) submit to the congressional defense committees a letter certifying that the requested budget is sufficient to carry out the mission of the Board during the fiscal year covered by the budget request.

President Trump issued his Fiscal Year 2019 budget on February 12, 2018. In accordance with section 3201(b) of the NDAA for Fiscal Year 2018, the Board hereby certifies that the requested budget is sufficient to carry out the Board's mission during Fiscal Year 2019.

Yours truly,

Bruce Hamilton Acting Chairman

c: The Honorable Patrick Leahy Vice Chairman, Committee on Appropriations

The Honorable Lamar Alexander Chairman, Subcommittee on Energy & Water Development

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein Ranking Member, Subcommittee on Energy & Water Development