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Washington, DC 20585



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The Honorable Peter S. Winokur Chairman Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board 625 Indiana Avenue, NW, Suite 700 Washington, DC 20004

Dear Mr. Chairman:

This is in response to your April 5, 2011 letter that documented Board concerns associated with the implementation of DOE-NA-STD-3016-2006, Hazard Analysis Reports for Nuclear Explosive Operations by the nuclear weapon design agencies (DAs). The Board requested a report addressing the issues identified by your staff and any corrective actions to be taken which is due July 4, 2011. The National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) requests an additional 30 days to complete the report and transmit it to the Board. The additional time is needed to coordinate responses with affected organizations. NNSA will schedule a briefing to the Board to discuss the response once the report is complete and submitted.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me or James McConnell, Assistant Deputy Administrator for Nuclear Safety, Nuclear Operations, and Governance Reform, at (202) 586-4379.

Sincerely,

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