DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD

Pursuant to the provision of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C.§552b), notice is hereby given of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board's (Board) meeting described below.

TIME AND DATE OF MEETING: 3:00 p.m. on August 4, 1998.

PLACE: Federal Building Auditorium, 825 Jadwin Avenue, Richland, Washington 99352.

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Board members will review with the Department of Energy (DOE) and its contractors the status of implementation of the Board's Recommendation 92-4. Recommendation 92-4 called for a systematic approach to addressing health and safety requirements during the design, construction, and operation of the Hanford Tank Waste Remediation System (TWRS).

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: One of the major waste stabilization initiatives of the Department of Energy (DOE) has been the Hanford Site's TWRS. The TWRS will retrieve, process, and immobilize the more than 50 million gallons of high level radioactive waste currently stored in 177 underground storage tanks at the Hanford Site. In 1992, the Board noted deficiencies in the technical justification and planning for

The Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board reserves its right to further schedule and otherwise regulate the course of this meeting, to recess, reconvene, postpone or adjourn the meeting, and otherwise exercise its authority under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended.

DATED: July 17, 1998.

John T. Conway,

Chairman.