The Honorable Mr. John T. Conway  
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Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board  
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Dear Mr. Chairman:

COMPLETION OF DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD (DNFSB)  
RECOMMENDATION 93-5 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN (IP), REVISION 1, MILESTONE 5.4.3.5.k,  
"LETTER REPORTING COMPLETION OF RETAINED GAS SAMPLING IN TANKS AW-101,  
AN-103, AN-104, AN-105, AND 1-101. IF THE RETAINED GAS SAMPLING PERFORMANCE IS  
SATISFACTORY, INCLUDE FUTURE DEPLOYMENT SCHEDULE"

This letter reports completion of "Composition and Quantities of Retained Gas Measured in Hanford Waste  
and includes the Retained Gas Sampler (RGS) future deployment schedule. These deliverables are identified  
under the DNFSB Recommendation 93-5 IP, Revision 1, Milestone 5.4.3.5.k.

The IP requires the RGS to be tested in Double-Shell Tanks AW-101, AN-103, AN-104, AN-105, and in  
Single-Shell Tank (SST) A-101. The IP also required a future deployment schedule to be developed if the  
RGS performance was satisfactory. The performance of the RGS was satisfactory. SSTs 241-U-103,  
241-S-106, 241-BY-101, and 241-BY-109 have been selected for Push Mode Core Sampling using the RGS  
and are forecast to be completed by June 30, 1997.

The U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office has completed the actions identified under this  
milestone and proposes closure of this commitment.

A copy of the RGS report, PNNL-11450, has been transmitted to your staff. If you have any questions, please  
contact me, or your staff may contact Jackson Kinzer, Assistant Manager for the Tank Waste Mediation  
System, on (509) 376-7591.

Sincerely,

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