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May 31, 1994

The Honorable Hazel R. O'Leary  
Secretary of Energy  
Washington, DC 20585

Dear Secretary O'Leary:

During the past year, the Board has increased its efforts to monitor activities at the Department of Energy (DOE) Hanford Site. These efforts have included an increase in visits and safety reviews by both the Board and its staff.

We have now concluded that our oversight activities can be improved by assigning an experienced senior technical staff person to serve on site as the Board's Hanford Site Representative. This action, which is in accordance with 42 U.S.C. § 2286b(h), will be effective on June 17, 1994, with the scheduled arrival of Mr. Paul Gubanc at the site.

These arrangements have been discussed with DOE-Richland and we look forward to continued openness and cooperation with the Richland operations. Mr. John Straub, the Board's outside expert at Hanford, will continue his activities as before.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John T. Conway".

John T. Conway  
Chairman

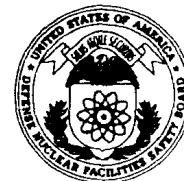
c: The Honorable Thomas P. Grumbly, EM-1  
Mr. Mark Whitaker, Acting EH-6  
Mr. John Wagoner, Manager Richland Operations Office

Enclosure

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## PAUL FRANCIS GUBANC

In March 1994, the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (DNFSB) selected Paul F. Gubanc of its Technical Staff to provide an on-site presence at the Department of Energy (DOE) Hanford Site in accordance with 42 U.S.C. § 2286b(h). On June 17, 1994, Mr. Gubanc reports for duty as the DNFSB Hanford Site Representative.

Mr. Gubanc joined the DNFSB Technical Staff in July 1991. While at the DNFSB, Mr. Gubanc has coordinated the staff's technical review activities for both the Hanford and Savannah River sites. Prior to joining the DNFSB, he served eight years with DOE's Naval Reactors Branch where he was involved with a variety of technical projects including plant chemistry control and corrosion testing, the design, construction and maintenance of reactor plant components, and the project management of operational land-based prototype reactor plants. Mr. Gubanc also performed technical interviews for the screening of Naval nuclear officer and Engineer candidates, conducted site and reactor plant operational readiness examinations, and reviewed modifications to the Naval nuclear training program.

Mr. Gubanc received both a BS and a MS Degree in Chemical Engineering from MIT and earned his Professional Engineer's license in the State of Virginia in 1986. He is a member of both the American Nuclear Society (ANS) and the American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE). In addition to attending the Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory's Reactor Engineering School for graduate-level education in nuclear reactor design, Mr. Gubanc has supplemented his technical education with additional graduate university courses in Nuclear Chemical Engineering, Reactor Thermo-hydraulics and Physics, Radiation Shielding and Severe Accident Analysis. Professional technical education has also been obtained in the areas of Environmental Regulations, Reactor Safety, Hazardous Material Worker, and Chemical Process Safety Management. Training within the DNFSB has provided Mr. Gubanc a working knowledge of Systems Engineering principles and nuclear-related standards from the DOE, U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and American National Standards Institute (ANSI).

Mr. Gubanc and his wife, Mary Ann, have one son and will reside in the Tri-Cities area.