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**The Secretary of Energy**  
Washington, DC 20585

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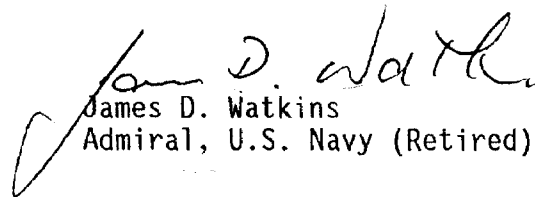
The Honorable John T. Conway  
Chairman  
Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board  
625 Indiana Avenue, N.W., Suite 700  
Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Mr. Conway:

The Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (DNFSB), in a letter dated July 11, 1991, requested that you be placed on routine distribution for selected reports and assessments. I agree that you should receive, on a routine basis, all evaluations and assessments conducted for defense facilities. I have tasked the affected Assistant Secretaries, Office Directors, and Field Office Managers to send those reports directly to the DNFSB.

I appreciate your continued evaluation and interest in our defense facilities.

Sincerely,

  
James D. Watkins  
Admiral, U.S. Navy (Retired)

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REPLY TO: DP-9  
ATTN OF:

SUBJECT: Distribution of Evaluations and Assessments to the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board

TO: Assistant Secretary for Defense Programs  
Assistant Secretary for Nuclear Energy  
Assistant Secretary for Environment, Safety and Health  
Director, Office of Environmental Restoration and Waste Management  
Director, Office of Nuclear Safety  
Director, Office of New Production Reactors  
Managers, DOE Field Offices  
Manager, Rocky Flats Office

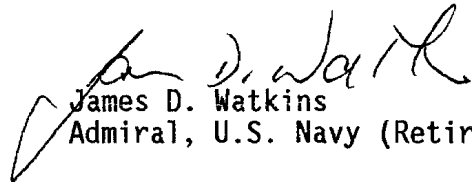
On July 11, 1991, the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (DNFSB) requested that reports and assessments made of defense facilities be routinely provided for their review. Please instruct your personnel to send such materials directly to the DNFSB (eight copies), with one copy of all transmittals, including a copy of the letter which should indicate that the transmittal is a reply to the DNFSB standing request for routine reports, to Donna Smith, Office of Defense Programs, who will maintain the Department of Energy files of all transmitted records. Also send one copy of all transmittals to Judy Keating, Office of Nuclear Safety. Care and judgment should be exercised to ensure that important material are routinely provided and that systems are not overwhelmed with trivia.

Examples of materials which should routinely be sent include:

- o Office of Nuclear Safety oversight inspections (Field as well as Headquarters)
- o Office of Nuclear Safety Operational Readiness Review (ORR) assessments
- o Environment, Safety and Health (ES&H) oversight inspections
- o ES&H ORR assessments
- o ES&H Tiger Team reports
- o ES&H Technical Safety Appraisals (TSAs)
- o Office of Self-Assessment and Emergency Management (DP-9) self-assessment documents (diagnostics, augmented evaluations, and safety information letters)
- o Defense Programs ORR assessments
- o Office assessments conducted under the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Facilities, including those conducted in Headquarters and the Field
- o Office of Environmental Restoration and Waste Management (EM) ORR assessments
- o EM TSAs
- o EM self-assessment documents (Headquarters and Field)
- o Office of Nuclear Energy (NE) standard development activities relevant to defense facilities

- o EM Five-Year Plan
- o Documents as received from the Advisory Committee on Nuclear Facility Safety by NE relevant to defense facilities
- o Office of New Production Reactors assessments and evaluations of the new production reactors

If you have any question on this request, please direct them to Dr. Donald Knuth (DP-9, FTS 896-3645) who is the designated point-of-contact with the DNFSB.

  
James D. Watkins  
Admiral, U.S. Navy (Retired)

cc: Program Secretarial Officers