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Dear Mr. Perry:

Thank you for your participation in the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board's (Board) May 23, 2001, public meeting on Quality Assurance (QA). The Board's interest is in helping the Department of Energy to increase the effectiveness of its QA program. Your sharing of information about the ProSmart program and your experiences in the chemical processing industry will help us in our endeavor.

The Board appreciates the cooperation of the Center for Chemical Process Safety on this matter.

Sincerely,

John T. Conway Chairman