November 24, 2004

Mrs. Mariko Mullen 1233 Sasebo St, NE Albuquerque, NM 87112

Dear Mrs. Mullen:

The Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (Board) extends our deepest condolences to you and your family on the loss of your husband. Bill's dedication and work in the Department of Defense and the National Nuclear Security Administration substantially enhanced the safety of many nuclear activities. His efforts to ensure the safety of our Nation and its nuclear weapons stockpile are deeply appreciated. His professionalism, dedication and warm and caring spirit will be deeply missed.

The other Board Members and staff join me in hoping that the prayers and thoughts of your many friends will help you bear your sorrow.

Sincerely,

John T. Conway Chairman