



**Department of Energy**  
**National Nuclear Security Administration**

Washington, DC 20585

July 10, 2003

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

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In the Implementation Plan for Recommendation 2000-1, *Stabilization and Storage of Nuclear Material*, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory is scheduled to complete excess plutonium and uranium stabilization and packaging by December 30, 2003 (commitments 601 and 603). Enclosed is a memorandum from Ms. Camille Yuan-Soo Hoo, Department of Energy Livermore Site Office Manager, providing written notification of an anticipated 60-day slip in completion of these commitments and the reasons for this schedule variance. I agree with her assessment of the situation and think the proposed schedule variance is reasonable.

Ms. Yuan-Soo Hoo is responsible for ensuring that these commitments are met. If you have any questions, please contact her at 925-422-2572.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Everet H. Beckner".

Everet H. Beckner  
Deputy Administrator  
for Defense Programs

**Enclosure**

cc (w/encl):  
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