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CHANGES IN BECHTEL SAIC COMPANY, LLC (BSC) QUALITY ASSURANCE (QA) ORGANIZATION RESPONSIBILITIES

This letter responds to Action Item Number 5 delineated in the summary of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission/U.S. Department of Energy (NRC/DOE) Quarterly QA Meeting, Rockville, Maryland, December 5, 2001.

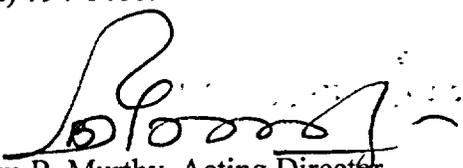
The following changes in BSC QA Organization functions will be implemented effective July 24, 2002.

QA Audits – BSC QA Organization will conduct internal audits of the BSC Organization activities and work subject to the requirements of the Quality Assurance Requirements and Description, DOE/RW-0333P, including the functions of planning, scheduling, performing, reporting, and follow-up on audits performed. The Audit Schedule will be coordinated with the DOE Office of Quality Assurance (OQA) so that the OQA can identify the audits that the OQA will observe or participate as a team member/observer.

The responsibility for the QA audit, surveillance, and corrective action processes continues to rest with the DOE Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management (OCRWM) OQA. The OQA will continue to perform QA audits, both compliance and performance-based, and surveillance of OCRWM activities and the BSC Organization activities, as required.

The OQA will perform all corrective action activities associated with OCRWM activities, including Trend Coordination, and extended processing for BSC identified Conditions Adverse to Quality.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (702) 794-1460.


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