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Mr. Ronald A. Milner, Director  
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U.S. Department of Energy, RW 30  
1000 Independence Avenue, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20585

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Sincerely,  
[Original signed by:]

Michael J. Bell, Acting Chief  
Performance Assessment and High-Level  
Waste Integration Branch  
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and Safeguards

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