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Dear Mr. Linehan:

At the July 7, 1988, meeting between the Department of Energy (DOE) and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) on Quality Assurance (QA), the DOE committed (QA-G-2) to provide the NRC with reports on the corrective actions taken regarding NRC observations of the Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) QA program and status of the implementation and verification of these actions.

Enclosed are reports of two Yucca Mountain Project Office QA Surveillances: YMP-SR-88-018 conducted at LANL on September 14-15, 1988; and YMP-SR-89-005 conducted at LANL on January 25, 1989. These reports are the second and fourth, respectively, in a series of monthly reports that update Los Alamos implementation and verification of corrective actions taken to close out the NRC deficiencies and findings from the June 8, 1987, mini-audit. The first and third reports were sent to you on December 29, 1988 and March 3, 1989, respectively.

Both the NRC-cited deficiencies and the Los Alamos corrective actions necessary to resolve the deficiencies are stated in the Los Alamos Corrective Action Reports (CARs), and are contained as enclosures to the Surveillance Reports. The surveillance reports contain the status of implementation and verification of corrective actions for each CAR by identifying the items verified as closed, and the items remaining open. Twelve of the original seventeen CARs generated as a result of the NRC-cited deficiencies remain open.

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