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Ms. Alison Doone Deputy Chief Financial Officer Department of Energy 1000 Independence Ave., SW Washington, DC 20585

Dear Ms. Doone:

In a letter dated September 13, 2012 you informed the Senate Armed Services Committee of the Department of Energy's intent to reprogram \$120 million from construction for the Nuclear Facility portion of Chemistry and Metallurgy Research Replacement Project (CMRR-NF, project 04-D-125) to various elements that the CMRR-NF was to perform.

The reprogramming of \$60 million of the funds is hereby approved. The remaining \$60 million will be released when the Department provides to the Committee a schedule for achieving Critical Decision Milestone 0 (CD-0 "mission need") and CD-1, ("approve alternative selection and cost range") per DOE order 413, for the replacement of the CMRR-NF with a modular construction strategy consistent with the Fiscal Year 2015 budget request. This schedule must be forwarded to the committee no later than August 30, 2013.

Sincerely,

Carl Levin

Chairman