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Dr. James A. Zimble Chairman Veterans' Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction 7910 Woodmont Avenue, Suite 400 Bethesda, MD 20814-3095

Dear Dr. Zimble:

Thank you for your letter regarding the recommendations that were approved at the September 2007 meeting of the Veterans' Advisory Board on Dose Reconstruction. The Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA) concurs with the Board's recommendations, and the Nuclear Test Personnel Review (NTPR) Program is already taking action to incorporate them. Decision Summary Sheets are being developed for most radiation dose assessments and expedited cases. Similarly, we are exploring options for probabilistic uncertainty analysis, which will enable us to discontinue the use of interim upper-bound uncertainty factors.

On behalf of DTRA and the NTPR Program, I wish to convey my continued appreciation to the Board for its commitment to improving services for our deserving veterans.

Sincerely,

James A. Tegnelia

Director

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Under Secretary for Benefits, VA