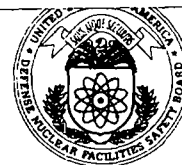


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Dr. Robert I. Van Hook, Jr.  
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Dear Dr. Van Hook:

The Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (Board) commends you on the occasion of your retirement from Lockheed Martin Energy Systems after many years of faithful service to the defense nuclear complex. Your efforts to enhance safety at the Y-12 Plant have contributed significantly to our Nation's ability to maintain strategic deterrence.

The Board appreciates the high degree of technical competence, effective leadership, and personal commitment that you have displayed throughout all our interactions. We wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John T. Conway", is written over a printed name and title.

John T. Conway  
Chairman