December 13, 2002

Mr. Robert W. Presley 116 Hillside Court Clinton, TN 37716

Dear Mr. Presley:

The Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board wishes to congratulate you on your contributions to our country during your thirty-six years at the Y-12 National Security Complex. Your extraordinary efforts during the last few years in your position with the Accelerated Strategic Computing Initiative project team have been particularly important. As the subject matter expert for the retrieval and reprocessing of archived weapons data, your guidance to the Y-12 National Security Complex, as well as to the Department of Energy, toward a better understanding of the nation's nuclear test data is largely responsible for the program's success. Your leadership in this arena and your willingness to devote tremendous amounts of time and energy to this cause has built the foundation upon which the Department of Energy can ultimately assure that its enduring stockpile is safe and reliable.

Upon the occasion of your retirement from the Y-12 National Security Complex, the Board expresses our gratitude for your significant contributions to the national security of our country.

We wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

John T. Conway Chairman

c: Mr. Dave Beck Mr. William Brumley Mr. John Mitchell