ACADEMIC COUNCIL CHAIR POWELL

Dear Harry:

In response to the request from the Academic Senate, I am pleased to submit the second annual report on the production of plutonium pits at the Los Alamos National Laboratory. The report covers federal Fiscal Year 2009 (October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009).

Los Alamos delivered a total of four pits, all for the Stockpile, during FY 2009. This brings the total to 21 pits over the three year period from FY 2007 through FY 2009.

As you know, LLNL does not produce pits and continues to focus on plutonium R&D and reducing their plutonium inventory to levels that are sufficient to support this research. LLNL and LANL are consolidating pit production related activities in the Los Alamos facilities. LLNL has now packaged and shipped off-site about two-thirds of its Category I/II Special Nuclear Material (SNM). The complete de-inventory of Category I/II SNM at LLNL is scheduled to be completed by the end of FY 2012.

If you wish, Executive Vice President Darling and his staff will be pleased to provide you with further amplification or clarification of the material in this report.

With best regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Mark G. Yudof
President

cc: Director Anastasio
    Director Miller
    Executive Vice President Darling
    Executive Director Winnacker
August 31, 2009

PRESIDENT MARK G. YUDOF
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

Re: Plutonium Pits Report

Dear Mark:

I am writing to remind you about the annual plutonium pits report that Academic Council annually receives from the President per the Academic Assembly’s 2008 Resolution on Limiting UC’s Role in Manufacturing Nuclear Weapons. Specifically, that resolution asks that the President, or the President’s designee, carefully monitor the level of production of plutonium pits at the labs, as well as any role of the labs in the oversight and management of such production, and issue a report on the results of this monitoring on an annual basis to the Academic Senate. Per your August 25, 2008 letter, we agreed to receive this report by October 31 for the time period from October 1 through September 30.

Thank you for your cooperation in providing this annual report to Academic Council. If you have any questions, please let not know.

Sincerely,

Mary Croughan
Chair, Academic Council

Copy: Henry Powell, Academic Council Vice Chair
Martha Winnacker, Academic Senate Executive Director
Bruce Darling, Executive Vice President, Laboratory Management
Dan Simmons, Incoming Academic Council Vice Chair and Incoming ACSCOLI Chair