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Mr. Barrett Randick Lloyd W. Aubry Co., Inc. 370 Princeton Ln. Danville, CA. 94526

Dear Mr. Randick,

I am pleased to report more good news about the National Ignition Facility's (NIF's) achievements.

The Project Management Institute (PMI), an international organization with over 500,000 members in 185 countries, honored NIF as the international 2010 Project of the Year. This is an extremely prestigious award worldwide. The finalists, besides the NIF, were the monumental Cowboys Stadium, the NFL's superstructure in Dallas, and the Norton Brownsboro Hospital, a facility featuring the latest in healthcare technology, in Louisville, KY. The PMI cited us for "groundbreaking technical achievement and exemplary management." We received this award at the annual conference with over 5,000 members from over 70 countries attending.

NIF is an engineering and science marvel that could not have been completed without the contributions of thousands of people, including you. We appreciate the confidence and trust you placed in us as demonstrated by your support in this undertaking. (Please see enclosed NNSA press release.)

The NIF is fully operational and the team is focused on applying NIF's extraordinary capabilities to our strategic defense, fundamental science and fusion energy missions. Right now, we are concentrating on the goal of achieving fusion ignition through our National Ignition Campaign (NIC). Over the last year, we have made great progress in this endeavor, exploring the physics of fusion for the first time at conditions needed for ignition to occur. On September 29, we successfully completed the first integrated experiment to show that the laser, diagnostics, target and safety systems could work together as designed. This should be a very exciting year ahead for experimentation, and we look forward to providing you continued reports on our progress.

Please consider a visit to Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in the near future to see the National Ignition Facility in action. It is everything we hoped for and more.

My very best regards,

Dr. Edward I. Moses

Director, National Ignition Facility

Principal Associate Director for NIF and Photon Science