



September 5, 2002

William Fletcher
Lloyd W Aubry Co., Inc.
2148 Dunn Road
Hayward, CA 94545

Re: National Ignition Facility
Target Bay Concrete Penetration Modifications

Dear Mr. Fletcher:

The NIF Project recently faced a difficult engineering and construction issue when we found interferences between the as-built concrete floor slabs and the Target Bay beampath. A team of engineers, construction managers and contractors rapidly assembled to assess and dispose of this problem. Through the diligent efforts of this team, these interferences were addressed and the modifications to the facility completed; the Project can now move forward bringing the bay under clean protocol and beginning the installation of the beampath. The successful and timely completion of this work was critical to the preservation of NIF's first light schedule.

On behalf of the NIF Project, I would like to thank you and your organization for outstanding contributions to this effort. The dedication, creativity and tenacity of your team are to be commended; it is through the commitment and expertise of organizations such as yours that will allow us to build NIF.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Edward I. Moses". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Edward I. Moses
NIF Project Manager

University of California

