

## **Department of Energy**

Washington, DC 20585

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Mr. Morgan Smith President & Chief Executive Officer Consolidated Nuclear Security, LLC 301 Bear Creek Road/ P.O. Box 2008 Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37831

Dear Mr. Smith:

This letter serves as notification of the Office of Enterprise Assessments' Office of Enforcement's decision to conduct an investigation into machine guarding and hazardous energy control programs at the Y-12 National Security Complex and the facts and circumstances associated with the finger amputation that was reported on April 18, 2019. The Office of Enforcement will conduct this investigation pursuant to the authority set forth in 10 C.F.R. § 851.40(a), *Investigations and inspections*. The investigation will include an onsite visit and interviews with contractor personnel.

A request for documents to support this investigation will be provided separately via e-mail. Your cooperation to ensure timely submission of all documents to our office is appreciated.

Under the Major Fraud Act (MFA), as amended, 41 U.S.C. § 4310, this investigation may be a proceeding commenced by the United States that relates to a violation of, or the failure to comply with, a Federal regulation. Costs incurred in connection with such a proceeding are subject to the reimbursement restrictions of the MFA implemented at 48 C.F.R. § 31.205-47. As a result, CNS should track any costs incurred that are directly attributable to supporting DOE's investigation, subsequent to receipt of this letter, and segregate them from other potentially allowable costs.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact me at (301) 903-7707, or your staff may contact Dr. Anthony Pierpoint, Director, Office of Worker Safety and Health Enforcement, at (301) 903-0100.

Sincerely, Kew L. Yrss

Kevin L Dressman Director Office of Enforcement Office of Enterprise Assessments

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