



## Department of Energy

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Dr. Kimberly S. Budil  
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Dear Dr. Budil:

This letter serves as notification of the Office of Enterprise Assessments, Office of Enforcement's decision to conduct an investigation into the facts and circumstances associated with a March 2023 loss of contamination control and the discovery of contaminated property both on and offsite, including at a Lawrence Livermore National Security worker's residence, on April 8, 2023.

The Office of Enforcement will conduct this investigation pursuant to the authority set forth in 10 C.F.R. Part 820, *Procedural Rules for DOE Nuclear Activities*, § 820.21, *Investigations*. Although investigating the loss of contamination control and offsite discovery of contaminated property will be the general purpose of this investigation, additional issues relating to the scope, nature, and extent of compliance with DOE's nuclear safety requirements specified in 10 C.F.R. Part 820, *Procedural Rules for DOE Nuclear Activities* may be pursued as issues arise during the course of the investigation. The investigation will include an onsite visit and interviews with contractor personnel.

Any requests for documents to support this investigation will be provided separately via one or more e-mails. Your cooperation to ensure timely submission of all documents by the requested date 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, Lawrence Livermore National Security 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, or your staff may contact Jacob M. Miller, Director, Office of Nuclear Safety Enforcement, at (301) 903-7707.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anthony C. Pierpoint', with a large, stylized initial 'A' and 'P'.

Anthony C. Pierpoint  
Director  
Office of Enforcement  
Office of Enterprise Assessments

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