



Department of Energy

Washington, DC 20585

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Dr. Hugh Montgomery
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Dear Dr. Montgomery:

Enclosed are two documents, the Department of Energy (DOE) Report of the Annual Progress Review of the Super BigBite Spectrometer (SBS) program held on November 4-5, 2014, at the Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility in Newport News, Virginia, and a document with excerpts from the individual reviewer reports.

The review panel found the SBS science program continues to be compelling and technically feasible. Significant progress is being made in all areas of the project. The review panel also recognized that outside organizations will contribute critical components that are not part of the SBS project. Coordination and oversight of off-project, as well as on-project, contributions is required. Management effort is essential to ensure successful completion of the Super BigBite Spectrometer. The panel found that the new project manager is in touch with all aspects of the program and has worked well with lab management, inspiring confidence in the project.

We would like to thank the project team for their efforts in generating documentation and making preparations for this review, and for responding appropriately to the recommendations generated at the previous review. Laboratory management is asked to continue supporting this effort. Careful consideration should be given to the scientific effort to produce physics results in a timely fashion.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jehanne Gillo".

Jehanne Gillo
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Enclosures

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