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TO: [redacted]
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FROM: Life Science Test Facility, [redacted]

SUBJECT: Response to inspection report dated June 05, 2015

Dear [redacted],

Life Sciences Test Facility has received the entity inspection report dated June 05, 2015, and has reviewed the three observations outlined in the report.

Life Sciences Test Facility is currently in compliance with observation #3. All shipments of inactivated *Bacillus anthracis* preparations were suspended on May 27, 2015, and all preparations of inactivated *B. anthracis* have been moved to select agent registered spaces.

Procedures to address observations # 1 and #2 will be incorporated into revised and validated methods for irradiating *B. anthracis* spores and conducting viability assays. The Army will implement revised methods and validation processes, as expeditiously as possible, upon completion of the Secretary of Defense-directed inspection, which is occurring during the month of June 2015, and receipt of any subsequent direction that may result from this inspection.

Following the published results and guidance from the Secretary of Defense's comprehensive review, we will develop the revised and validated procedures and submit a detailed implementation report. The Life Sciences Test Facility remains committed to protecting the public and the Warfighter, both in the development of countermeasures against chemical and biological threats, and in the application of thorough biosafety procedures and protocols. We continue to improve our procedures to maintain the confidence of our workforce and the public.

If you require additional documentation or have any questions or concerns, please contact me [redacted].

Life Sciences Test Facility
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