



## Department of Energy

Washington, DC 20585

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Ronald J. Demicheli, President  
American Federation of Government Employees  
Local 1916  
P.O. Box 231  
South Park, PA 15129

Re: Exec-2007-008299

Dear Mr. Demicheli:

This letter is in reply to your letter of July 30, 2007 to Secretary Bodman regarding the delay in posting Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) contributions to employee accounts for the pay date of July 5, 2007.

The contributions were not processed by the TSP Record Keeper until July 9, 2007 due to a problem the Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) experienced with e-mailing the TSP voucher certification to the TSP Record Keeper. DFAS has modified their procedures to prevent this problem from recurring in future pay periods.

My staff discussed this issue with the TSP Board and was informed that a payroll submission is processed when the data file and the related certified voucher are received by the TSP Record Keeper. This explains why the contributions to DOE employees' TSP accounts are ordinarily processed prior to pay day. The TSP Board also informed my staff that a submission is not considered late unless it is processed more than 30 days after the pay date. Consequently, adjustments will not be made to DOE employees' TSP accounts.

Please contact Jerry Odegard on 301-903-4934 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Steve Isakowitz  
Chief Financial Officer

cc:

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