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Board Action Report

Notation No.: 186

Voting Period: Urgent Notation Item (June 20-27, 2002)

Subject: **Institute of Makers of Explosives (Recommendation 98-001-I-NV-R13) from the Sierra Chemical Company Investigation (98-001-I-NV)**

Whereas,

1. The Board is authorized by 42 USC § 7412 (r)(6)(C)(i) to investigate and report to the public in writing the facts, conditions, and circumstances and the cause or probable cause of "any accidental release resulting in a fatality, serious injury or substantial property damages";
2. The Board is further authorized by 42 USC § 7412 (r)(6)(C)(ii) to issue periodic reports to the Congress, Federal, State and local agencies, including the Environmental Protection Agency and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, concerned with the safety of chemical production, processing, handling and storage, and other interested persons recommending measures to reduce the likelihood or the consequences of accidental releases;
3. The Board has issued such recommendations to the **Institute of Makers of Explosives** arising out of an incident that occurred at Mustang, Nevada, on January 7, 1998; and
4. The Board seeks to ensure its recommendations are tracked and adopted in order to promote the prevention of any similar occurrence.

Therefore, pursuant to its authority under 42 U.S.C. § 7412 (r)(6)(C)(ii) the Board hereby votes to adopt the attached Recommendation Response Evaluation and designate recommendations **98-001-I-NV-R13** with the status of **Closed-Exceeds Recommended Action**.

Approval Date: 6/24/02

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>Not Participating</u>	<u>Withhold</u>
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