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IN REPLY REFER TO:

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Dr. Peter Dunn
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Re: ALLEGATIONS OF SCIENTIFIC MISCONDUCT AT PURDUE
UNIVERSITY

Dear Dr. Dunn:

The Office of Naval Research (ONR) Science and Technology Inquiry Board (STIB) met on July 16, 2008, to review Purdue University's inquiry and investigative reports involving bubblefusion and allegations of scientific research misconduct. Following the review of all relevant information, I provided a memorandum to the ONR Executive Director as required by ONR's Process for Handling Scientific Misconduct allegations. The Executive Director has determined that Purdue's investigation into this matter followed the institution's usual and reasonable procedures, was prompt, thorough and objective and the institution will adequately resolve the issues.

I understand that your directive allows for a period of 30 days to appeal this determination. After the appeal process is complete, I will need you to provide me with a summary of the corrective action you have chosen to take to prevent future similar occurrences. The case will remain open until corrective action is documented as having been taken.

Thank you, again, for your patience and cooperation in this matter.

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