

## Update on the Office of Environmental Management

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<u>EM</u> Environmental Management safety & performance & cleanup & closure

# **EM Mission and Priorities**

#### Mission

"Complete the safe cleanup of the environmental legacy brought about from five decades of nuclear weapons development, production, and Government-sponsored nuclear energy research."



Radioactive tank waste remains a top priority.



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#### **Our Priorities Are the Same**

- Essential activities to maintain a safe and compliant posture in the EM complex
- Radioactive tank waste stabilization, treatment, and disposal
- Spent nuclear fuel storage, receipt, and disposition
- Special nuclear material consolidation, stabilization, and disposition
- · High priority groundwater remediation
- Transuranic and mixed/low-level waste disposition
- · Soil and groundwater remediation
- Excess facilities deactivation and decommissioning (D&D)



## Journey to Excellence: Delivering Performance

#### <u>Vision</u>

"Our vision is that EM and its contractors are recognized as being among the best at completing quality work safely, on schedule and within cost and delivering demonstrated value to the American Taxpayer."

19 EM soil/water remediation and waste disposition projects completed from 2005-present

- → All projects met regulatory deadlines
- ✤ 95% completed on schedule
- ✤ 84% within 10% of budget

- EM has a solid performance record on cleanup projects
- However EM must improve in delivering all projects within cost and schedule
- This performance must be achieved with Safety as an inherent part of our value system – not to be compromised
  - No schedule, milestone or cost consideration is worth any injury
- Two areas where there is heightened visibility and scrutiny
  - Construction projects
  - Recovery Act projects



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#### Strengthen Technology Development

- Focus on reducing risks and life-cycle costs associated with tank waste stabilization, treatment, disposal & groundwater remediation
- Leverage world class basic research and facilities funded by other offices within the Department
- Requested increase of FY 2010 budget to \$105 million from \$32 million in FY 2009

Electrical resistance heating, will be used to remove TCE up to 100 feet below the surface at Paducah.







### Comparison of Recovery Act and Base Program Work Scope



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#### 30 months from ARRA Project Ramp-up to Closeout





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## **ARRA Funding Obligations at EM Sites**

Site	Spend Plan	Obligated to Contracts	Spent to Date	
Argonne National Laboratory	\$98,500,000	\$79,000,000	\$1,177,513	
Brookhaven National Laboratory	\$42,355,000	\$42,355,000	\$7,658,089	
ETEC	\$54,175,000	\$54,175,000	\$0	
Hanford (Office of River Protection)	\$326,035,000	\$326,035,000	\$16,188,222	
Hanford (Richland)	\$1,634,500,000	\$1,624,919,582	\$88,772,219	
Idaho	\$467,875,000	\$467,175,000	\$55,042,454	
Los Alamos National Laboratory	\$211,775,000	\$211,775,000	\$1,325,504	
Moab	\$108,350,000	\$108,350,000	\$6,365,420	
Mound	\$19,700,000	\$19,700,000	\$0	
Nevada Test Site	\$44,325,000	\$35,294,441	\$6,209,108	
Oak Ridge	\$755,110,000	\$632,844,198	\$30,501,158	
Paducah	\$78,800,000	\$78,800,000	\$1,049,617	
Portsmouth	\$118,200,000	\$108,200,000	\$2,493,402	
Savannah River	\$1,615,400,000	\$1,278,411,341	\$158,723,850	
SLAC	\$7,925,000	\$7,925,000	\$496,410	
SPRU	\$51,775,000	\$31,775,000	\$171,695	
WIPP	\$172,375,000	\$172,175,000	\$13,092,767	
West Valley	\$73,875,000	\$73,875,000	\$4,037,544	
Title X Uranium/Thorium Reimbursements	\$68,950,000	\$31,870,555	\$31,870,555	
OMB Q4 Unallocated	\$20,000,000	\$0	\$0	
Management & Oversight	\$30,000,000	\$5,416,494	\$1,631,849	
Total	\$6,000,000,000	\$5,391,853,413	\$426,807,377	

Financial data are based on reporting as of September 23, 2009 and are subject to change.

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#### EM Has Moved Quickly to Allocate ARRA Funds

- EM allocated more than 99% of ARRA funding to the sites performing the work within the first 6 months.
- Modifications issued to 29 of 35 existing contracts covering ARRA work.

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 Three additional new contracts are pending.

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## **Over 9,000 Jobs Saved or Created**

EM Job Applicants, Jobs Saved & Created, and Job Fairs (September 22, 2009)							
	Applicants	Saved	Created	Headcount	Job Fairs		
Argonne (IL)	1,705	13	42	55	8		
Brookhaven (NY)	39	31	89	120	0		
ETEC (CA)	456	108	2	110	0		
Hanford-ORP (WA)	11,463	0	436	436	11		
Hanford-Richland (WA)	14,917	285	2,775	3,060	9		
ldaho (ID)	5,633	1,182	309	1,491	9		
Los Alamos (NM)	706	82	16	98	1		
Moab (UT)	2,363	37	130	167	0		
Mound (OH)	0	28	0	28	0		
Nevada (NV)	27	303	29	332	0		
Oak Ridge (TN)	7,356	157	781	938	5		
Paducah (KY)	4,885	0	102	102	4		
Portsmouth (OH)	3,033	36	79	115	3		
Savannah River (SC)	<mark>14,865</mark>	<mark>798</mark>	<mark>1,254</mark>	<mark>2,052</mark>	<mark>5</mark>		
SLAC (CA)	90	100	12	112	1		
SPRU (NY)	40	52	38	90	0		
West Valley (NY)	1,128	0	158	158	0		
WIPP (NM)	79	37	178	215	0		
TOTALS	68,785	3,249	5,980	9,679	56		







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#### Communicate. Communicate. Communicate.

EM Headquarters and Field sites are striving to provide "unprecedented transparency" as to where the ARRA money is going and what is being accomplished.

- EM Recovery Act newsletter
- Weekly News Flash
- EM and DOE Recovery Act websites
- Stakeholder conference calls
- Public meetings
- OMB/Congress
- GAO/IG





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#### **Making Progress**

EM Recovery Act Program is making a difference in the President's goals of job creation and environmental cleanup through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

- Over 9,250 jobs created and preserved in 12 States
- More than 99% of Recovery Act funds have been allocated to sites
- Modifications issued to 29 of 35 existing contracts
  - Balance of EM ARRA funding is planned for new awards (~\$150M)
- Nearly \$5.4 billion obligated to contracts for EM Recovery projects
- Over \$427 million spent on Recovery work
- Achieved 122% of EM small business contracting goal
- Monthly monitoring of project execution and performance
- Active engagement with stakeholders and regulators





## The Challenge: Maintaining Momentum



- Safely conducting work
- Managing performance-based projects with life cycles over several decades
- Producing results with robust project management practices
- Applying first-of-a-kind technologies
- Achieving footprint reduction and near-term completions
- Managing and maintaining an "able and stable" workforce
- Using Recovery Act funds to create sustainable environmental cleanup jobs, with lasting economic benefits