



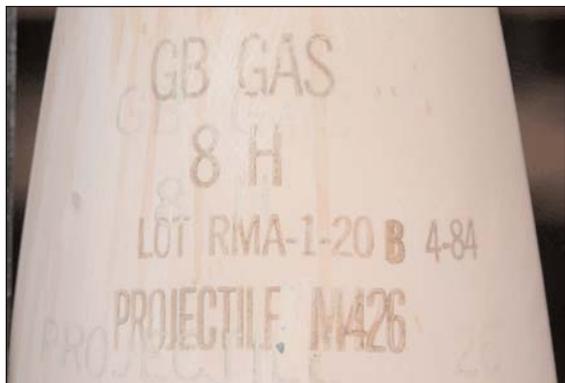
U.S. ARMY CHEMICAL MATERIALS AGENCY

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'Ghostly' images on processed projectile



A thermally decontaminated 8-inch projectile shows the effects of being baked at 1,000-degrees Fahrenheit. Originally a battleship grey color, the heat causes the paint to turn white and chip off, revealing identification stamps from the past. The dark-colored streaks show where chemical agent ran down the casing during the draining process. The date stamp, shown circled in red below, indicates this munition was manufactured in 1966.



UMCDF anticipates VPP Star status

The UMCDF expects to hear later this month from the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) about its recommendation to designate the disposal facility with Star status in its Voluntary Protection Program (VPP). If the plant is granted that status — which is fully expected — it will place it in an elite category with the safest sites in the country.

"We're proud to be considered for this recognition," said Doug Hamrick, UMCDF Project General Manager.

Washington Group International, the systems contractor operating the facility, already is recognized in the corporate world for its safety record and participating in OSHA's VPP Corporate Pilot. UMCDF's sister site in Anniston, Ala., recently received VPP Star status as well.

UMCDF Highlights

- UMCDF employees have worked 117 days since the last lost-time accident.
- Processed 4,564 GB 8-inch projectiles and nearly 33 tons of chemical agent in the month of October.
- Total number of GB 8-inch projectiles processed represents 32.5 percent of the depot's original GB 8-inch projectile stockpile.

Umatilla Chemical Agent Disposal Facility Processing

(Oct. 27 - Nov. 1, 2006)

Total number 8-inch GB-filled projectiles processed this period	983
Total number 8-inch GB-filled projectiles processed to date	4,637
Percentage of total GB projectiles processed to date	7.5
Total pounds of GB chemical agent destroyed this period	7,514
Nominal tons of GB chemical agent destroyed to date	790.27
Percentage of total agent tons destroyed	21.26

UMCDF Milestones

- **Sept. 28, 2006:** Began GB M426 8-inch projectile campaign.
- **Aug. 9, 2006:** Completed GB M55 rocket campaign.

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