

Former commander pays a visit to depot



Former Umatilla Chemical Depot commander Col Tom Woloszyn (second from left), Director of Chemical and Biological Defense Requirements & Operations Integration and Chief of Staff for the Office of Secretary of Defense, visited the depot Thursday, Oct. 15. Woloszyn commanded the depot between July 1999 and July 2001. Joining him were (from left) Site Project Manager Mike Strong, current Depot Commander Lt. Col. Kris Perkins, and Project General Manager Bob Dikeman.

MPF mod testing starts

Testing of the new quench spray system in the Umatilla Chemical Agent Disposal Facility (UMCDF) Metal Parts Furnace (MPF) Discharge Airlock (DAL) began Wednesday. The system, involving a pair of "lances" that spray water into thermally decontaminated ton containers (TCs), was installed to speed up the cooling process.

Last week, the UMCDF received a temporary authorization from the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to design, install and test the system. Once testing is complete and the results deemed satisfactory, the plant is expected to resume mustard TC processing. A permit modification request (PMR) was also submitted related to the system. A public information meeting is scheduled for Nov. 24 in Hermiston (see the Oct. 15, 2009 *Weekly Update* for details).

UMCDF Highlights

- It has been 1,202 days, or more than 5 million work hours, since a lost-time accident occurred at the UMCDF (July 7, 2006).

Umatilla Chemical Agent Disposal Facility Processing (Oct. 15 - 21, 2009)

Total number of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed this period	0
Total number of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed to date	151
Percentage of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed to date	5.7
Total "recipient" HD ton containers* destroyed this period	0
Total "recipient" HD ton containers* destroyed to date	52
Pounds of HD agent destroyed this period	0
Pounds of HD agent destroyed to date	256,347
Pounds of total agent destroyed to date <i>Includes GB, VX and HD</i>	3,022,529
Total munitions destroyed to date since start of operations (Sept. 7, 2004) <i>including non-stockpile GB and VX ton containers</i>	218,128
Nominal tons of chemical agent destroyed to date	1,506.03
Percentage of total agent tons destroyed	40.51

*Recipient ton containers are byproducts of mustard disposal and were not a part of the original stockpile.

UMCD/UMCDF Milestones

- June 11, 2009:** Began first HD ton container destruction in the Metal Parts Furnace (MPF).
- June 4, 2009:** First HD ton containers transported from depot storage to disposal plant.
- Nov. 5, 2008:** Completed VX munitions campaign.
- Oct. 26, 2007:** Began VX munitions campaign.
- July 8, 2007:** Completed GB munitions campaign.
- Sept. 7, 2004:** Began GB munitions campaign.

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