

Final agent treaty sample collected

On Oct. 11, the last Treaty Agent Sample was taken from the last HD Treaty Tagged Ton Container in the Unpack Area at the Umatilla Chemical Agent Disposal Facility (UMCDF).

The UMCDF started sampling the Treaty Tagged Ton Containers in July 2009. The crew that conducted the sampling successfully performed 24 Treaty Agent Samples without any incidents or accidents, or without having to re-decontaminate any sample bottles. Each one was conducted under the watchful eye of evaluators from the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW), Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA), U.S. Army Chemical Materials Agency (CMA) and Department of Defense (DoD).



Above: Unpack Area (UPA) Operator Craig Hams shows a pipette with a sample of HD mustard agent collected from a ton container to an international treaty inspector for verification

Tuesday, Oct. 11. The event marked the final treaty-observed agent sample to be collected at UMCDF. At right: UPA Operator Ken Savage removes the sample bottle from an airlock to prepare it for transfer to the onsite lab for analysis.



UMCDF Highlights

- It has been 1,923 days, or more than 9 million work hours, since a lost work day accident occurred at the UMCDF (July 7, 2006).

Umatilla Chemical Agent Disposal Facility Processing

(Oct. 6 - 12, 2011)

Total number of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed this period	49
Total number of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed to date	2,555
Percentage of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed to date	97.0
Total "recipient" HD ton containers* destroyed this period	8
Total "recipient" HD ton containers* destroyed to date	863
Pounds of HD agent destroyed this period	85,742
Pounds of HD agent destroyed to date	4,574,184
Pounds of total agent destroyed to date <i>Includes GB, VX and HD</i>	7,954,849
Total munitions destroyed to date since start of operations (Sept. 7, 2004) <i>including non-stockpile GB and VX ton containers</i>	220,524 <small>(total corrected from last report)</small>
Nominal tons of chemical agent destroyed to date	3,664.95
Percentage of total agent tons destroyed	98.59

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

UMCD/UMCDF Milestones

- June 27, 2010:** Completed mustard Agent Trial Burn for Metal Parts Furnace (MPF) and Liquid Incinerators (LICs).
- June 11, 2009:** Began first HD ton container destruction in the 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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