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Hanford Tank Waste Operations & Closure Given Notice to Proceed on Hanford Cleanup Contract

Carol Johnson Named Program Manager; Other Key Personnel Announced

(RICHLAND, Wash. – October 23, 2024) – Hanford Tank Waste Operations & Closure, LLC (H2C) has been given formal notice to proceed on beginning transition activities for the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Hanford Integrated Tank Disposition Contract.

On October 21, 2024, H2C began a four-month transition in which it will prepare to lead the nation's largest and most complex radioactive waste cleanup by closing legacy waste tanks at the site and operating the Waste Treatment Plant at later date.

H2C was awarded the contract by the DOE's Office of Environmental Management (EM) on February 29, 2024, and is a joint venture of BWX Technologies, Inc., Amentum and Fluor companies. The team includes four pre-selected teaming subcontractors: dss+; DBD, Inc.; Longenecker and Associates, Inc.; and INTERA Incorporated.

Key Personnel Announced

H2C is led by five key personnel with extensive environmental management experience and knowledge.

- **Carol Johnson** is the **President and Program Manager** and leads all aspects of the H2C team. She is an executive leader with 40 years of experience directing environmental cleanup, production operations, and national nuclear security missions. She has previously held a variety of leadership and technical roles at DOE sites such as Hanford (as the president of River Corridor Cleanup), Los Alamos National Laboratory, Idaho National Laboratory, and others, including her most recent role as President and CEO of Savannah River Nuclear Solutions. She lives in the Tri-Cities area.
- **Phil Breidenbach, Chief Operating Officer**, is responsible for safely leading operations, maintenance, and projects. He has a track record of driving positive culture change and collaboratively achieving results on nuclear projects, with 38 years of relevant experience at several EM sites, including two contractor joint venture presidencies. He was most recently President of Savannah River Remediation.

- ***Kliss McNeel, Environment, Safety, Health and Quality Manager***, is responsible for the programs that protect workers, the public, and the environment as well as ensure that all quality and compliance requirements are met or exceeded. She brings 34 years of experience leading environmental and regulatory compliance programs at four of the world's most complex, high-hazard nuclear operations sites.
- ***Karthik Subramanian, Chief Engineer and Innovation Manager***, leads engineering execution of operational and capital projects and champions innovative approaches to improve safety and efficiency. He is currently the Chief Operating Officer for the Hanford tank farm project. He has over 22 years of technical and leadership experience in the EM program.
- ***Jeff Stevens, Program Integration Manager***, is responsible for strategic planning, risk management, and end-state integration activities. He also provides interface management with the other Hanford contractors. He has 38 years of experience, including three joint venture presidency and program manager positions. He most recently led the contract transition for the SRS Integrated Mission Completion Contract.

"We have spent many months in preparation for this day, so we're ready to get started on this program of immense importance to the residents of Washington, our stakeholders, and our customer," said Johnson. "We understand the significance of this effort, and we look forward to working closely with Hanford's many stakeholders to achieve the end states that will benefit everyone in the area."

Transition Website

H2C has launched a website at www.hanfordtanks.com for future employees and stakeholders to learn more about the company, its organizational structure, its approach for operations, and the experience of its parent companies. The website will be updated regularly during transition.

About H2C

Hanford Tank Waste Operations & Closure, LLC (H2C) is the prime contractor for the U.S. Department of Energy's Hanford Integrated Tank Disposition Contract. H2C will lead the nation's largest and most complex radioactive waste cleanup by closing legacy waste tanks at the site and operating the Waste Treatment Plant. H2C is a joint venture of BWXT, Amentum and Fluor companies. Learn more at www.hanfordtanks.com.

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