

WM Symposia WM2010 Conference Panel Report

PANEL SESSION 88 – Energy Facilities Contractor Operating Group (EFCOG) Waste Management Working Group – Quarterly Meeting

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Approximately 50 people attended this meeting included working group members and observers. The session began with an overview of the WM Working Group accomplishments in FY09. One of these accomplishments included a forecast of waste from ARRA projects.

An update of Headquarters activities was provided by **Christine Gelles**. Ms. Gelles informed the group that the Hanford restrictions on shipping waste from outside the state continues. NTS will continue to remain as a regional disposal site, and sites need to continue to evaluate commercial disposal sites. It was also reported that DOE has committed to take ownership of the federal cell at Waste Control Specialists if the cell is constructed and used. DOE and the State of Texas are in discussions to establish an MOA to accommodate changes to the WCS permit.

Additional DOE HQ updates were given by **Marty Letourneau** on the revision activities for DOE Order 435.1.

Several focus areas were identified for FY10. These areas include:

- Waste Characterization
- Revision to DOE Order 435.1
- Orphan waste
- Waste Characterization
- DOE Scrap Metal Recycling Moratorium
- Integration and Participation
- Policy & Integration
- DOT determination (LSA vs SCO) issues

In addition, two subgroups were identified to address particular issues of interest. These subgroups are High Level Waste (HLW) and Science Labs.

A variety of lessons learned were discussed including depleted uranium issues and ARRA wastes.