WM2011 Conference Panel Report

PANEL SESSION 87 - Waste Management Energy Facilities Contractor Operating Group

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The Waste Management Energy Facilities Contractor Operating Group (EFCOG) meeting participants discussed a variety of topics including the status of:

- Recent personnel changes at DOE-EM,
- The current and out-year budgets.
- EM strategic goals,
- The new mixed waste disposal cell at the Nevada National Security Site (NNSS),
- Support efforts to the TRUPACT III transport vehicle for large packages,
- The IDIQ complex-wide contract for treatment of low-level and mixed low-level waste,
- The status of the existing complex-wide disposal contract and efforts to issue a new contract,
- Lessons learned from recent activities in legacy waste characterization, TRU waste processing and shipment,
- Activities at SPRU,
- Issuance of the draft EIS for GTCC wastes (available in the Federal Register for February 25, 2011 or at http://www.nepa.energy.gov)
- Activities at the West Valley site,
- Disused sealed sources.
- Activities to resolve the recycling of clean (non-radioactive) metals,
- Blending wastes including the caution to be aware of potential DOT shipment classification issues,
- Orphan, unique, and no path to disposal waste,
- Aged wastes at M&EC, and
- Depleted Uranium Oxide (DUO) waste from Savannah River sent to Clive, Utah.

Approximately 50 personnel from various DOE site contractors, vendors, and DOE personnel attended. The next WM EFCOG meeting will be held in May in Las Vegas, NV.

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