

WM2012 Conference Panel Report

PANEL SESSION 65: US DOE Asset Revitalization Initiative

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Panelists

1. Jack Surash – *US DOE*
2. Ralph Holland – *US DOE*
3. Robert Raines – *National Nuclear Security Administration*
4. Martin Schneider – *Exchange Monitor*
5. Sue Stiger – *Bechtel National, Inc.*

More than 120 people attended this session that focused on DOE-Environmental Management (EM) and the National Nuclear Security Administration's (NNSA) procurement status and lessons learned. This session provided information from DOE procurement executives and industry insight from an EFCOG initiative and the Exchange Monitor representatives. The session opened with each of the 5 panelists giving a 15 minute overview in the form of PowerPoint presentations from DOE-EM, NNSA and industry perspectives. The audience asked the speakers numerous questions by both submitting electronic questions and stepping to the microphone, and many participants remained to hold one-on-one conversations with the panelists.

The following summary includes a summary and excerpts from the panel presentations:

The panel focused on the status of pending and future procurements and lessons learned from DOE and industry feedback including suggestions on how DOE may improve their procurement process.

Jack Surash kicked off the session with a 15 minute presentation which communicated the DOE's primary objectives underway to improve their procurement process. Mr. Surash cited the recent Portsmouth and Oak Ridge procurements as being models of improvements and successes. He commented on lessons that DOE learned during the AMWTP procurement. **Ralph Holland** followed with a presentation that shared the vision for DOE's Cincinnati Business Center (CBC) including information on the intended utilization of the IDIQ contractual mechanisms. **Robert (Bob) Raines** presented an overview of NNSA's procurements underway, including the rationale and consolidation of the Y-12 and Pantex procurement. **Martin Schneider** of the Complex Monitor and **Susan Stiger**, representing the EFCOG organization and member companies, gave presentations gained from industry insight which provided the panelists and session participants with suggestions of improvements for DOE to consider incorporating into their procurement process.

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