

WM2015 Conference Panel Report

PANEL SESSION 115: **Waste Management Energy Facilities Contractor Operating Group**

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- **Tammy Hobbes, *CH2M-WG Idaho, LLC***
- **John Wrapp, *URS – CH2M Oak Ridge, LLC***

Approximately 60 people attended this panel session. The purpose of the session was to seek out and promote the best management and operating practices, cost effective technologies and disposal options for all waste streams generated at DOE facilities whether destined for DOE or commercial facilities.

Summary of Presentations:

The session was composed of representatives from DOE and industry leaders responsible for managing a broad range of challenging waste management issues. During the session, DOE Headquarters representatives attending the meeting provided an update on DOE EM areas of focus for 2015. Additionally, 5 DOE sites were identified and requested to present. The 5 presenting sites were Portsmouth, Oak Ridge, Idaho, Hanford and Paducah however other sites in attendance were encouraged and engaged in discussions.

The site presentations focused on site specific issues and challenges. With the recent merge of the D&D Working Group (WG) into the Waste Management WG the key sites panelists presented on current and upcoming D&D activities, with a strong focus on the waste streams to be generated during the D&D activities such as anticipated volumes and waste types. The presentations for each speaker are located on the WM Symposia website.

Conclusion

The session was a beneficial exchange of information between sites and provided a platform for a large portion of the DOE sites to discuss lessons learned and creative approaches to some of the complex most challenging issues.