

Celebrating safety



The newest flag to grace UMCD's skies is displayed by the distinguished speakers at Monday's VPP Celebration ceremony. From left: Mark Evans, Washington Group International vice-president of Chemical Demilitarization Programs; Doug Hamrick, UMCD Project General Manager; Dick Terrill, OSHA regional administrator; Lt. Col. Donna Rutten, UMCD commander; Brad Giles, Washington Group vice-president of Environmental, Safety and Health; and Leslie Owen, UMCD Safety Management and Recognition Team (SMART) standing committee chairperson.

Team Umatilla honored with safety recognition

The UMCD was officially presented with its OSHA Voluntary Protection Program (VPP) "Star" status on Monday with a ceremony at the site. The facility endured a rigorous review of its "safety culture" in June of last year and was granted Star status in late December. The UMCD is just the second chemical demilitarization facility in the country to receive such recognition, joining only 11 other companies in Oregon.

UMCDF Highlights

- It has been 222 days since a lost-time accident occurred at the UMCD (July 7, 2006).
- GB 155mm projectile processing on Feb. 12 was 708 through the Metal Parts Furnace (MPF) for the day. The total was a campaign record for the site and the fourth best in program history.
- On Feb. 11, the 50 percent milestone for total munitions destruction was reached

Umatilla Chemical Agent Disposal Facility Processing (Feb. 8 - 14, 2007)

Total number GB-filled 155mm projectiles processed this period	2,505
Total number GB-filled 155mm projectiles processed to date	3,486
Percentage of total GB projectiles processed to date	28.8
Total munitions destroyed to date since start of operations (Sept. 8, 2004)	111,619
Total pounds of GB chemical agent destroyed this period	10,284
Nominal tons of GB chemical agent destroyed to date	871.27
Percentage of total agent tons destroyed	23.44

UMCD/UMCDF Milestones

- **Feb. 1, 2007:** Processed the first GB 155mm projectiles through the Metal Parts Furnace (MPF).
- **Jan. 25, 2007:** Began the GB 155mm projectile campaign with delivery of munitions from depot storage to the disposal facility.
- **Jan. 3, 2007:** Completed the GB 8-inch projectile campaign.
- **Nov. 6, 2006:** Processed the 100,000th munition stockpiled at Umatilla.
- **Sept. 28, 2006:** Began GB M426 8-inch projectile campaign.
- **Aug. 9, 2006:** Completed GB M55 rocket campaign.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS:

Bruce Henrickson
Phone: (541) 564-5312
Cell: (541) 379-8810
bruce.henrickson@us.army.mil

Jim Hackett
Phone: (541) 564-5418
Cell: (541) 720-1881
james.s.hackett@us.army.mil

OUTREACH OFFICE:

Steve Meyers
Phone: (541) 564-9339
Cell: (541) 571-7446
steve_meyers@urscoleman.com

SYSTEMS CONTRACTOR:

Hal McCune
Phone: (541) 564-7304
Cell: (541) 571-1779
hal.mccune@wgint.com

Umatilla Chemical Disposal Outreach Office
190 E. Main St.
Hermiston, OR 97838
Phone: (541) 564-9339
Fax: (541) 564-9532

Information Line:
(888) 866-5928
(541) 564-7103

Outreach Office Hours:
8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.,
Monday - Friday
(Additional hours available upon request)