

Nerve agent VX projectiles



Anniston Chemical Activity (ANCA) and Anniston Chemical Agent Disposal Facility (ANCDF) workers began the VX-filled 155mm projectile demilitarization campaign on June 3, 2007. VX-filled 155mm projectiles are similar to the GB-filled 155mm projectiles that were safely demilitarized at the ANCDF two years ago.

Key Messages

- ◆ The Anniston chemical munition stockpile is safely stored and maintained by the employees of the Anniston Chemical Activity (ANCA) under the command of Lt.Col. Phillip M. Trued, Jr.
- ◆ Disposal is safer than indefinite storage.
- ◆ Since 1990, more than 13,600 tons of chemicals and more than 1,894,200 munitions have been safely incinerated at U.S. Army facilities.
- ◆ The U.S. Army *IS* committed to the safety of the community and the environment.



Safety measures in place for toxic area entries

Employees know emergency help is very close

Just in case there is an emergency, James Gardner, a Westinghouse Anniston employee, is trained, dressed, and prepared to assist fellow employees working in a toxic area of the Anniston Chemical Agent Disposal Facility (ANCDF). Even simple maintenance work in some areas of the ANCDF require detailed planning to cover possible emergency situations. (Creed)

Anniston Milestones

- ◆ **June 3, 2007:** Since VX disposal operations resumed, 43,016 projectiles and 26,301 gallons of liquid VX have been safely incinerated.
- ◆ **July 23, 2006 ~ March 8, 2007:** VX-filled M55 rocket disposal operations safely demilitarize all 35,662 rockets and warheads. Additionally, more than 41,056 gallons of VX have been processed.
- ◆ **August 9, 2003 ~ March 2, 2006:** All 142,428 GB munitions and 96,246 gallons of GB nerve agent demilitarized.
- ◆ **1997 ~ 2001:** The Pentagon pays Westinghouse Anniston more than \$340 million to build the ANCDF.
- ◆ **1997:** Chemical Weapons Convention (treaty) ratified.



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