

# WEEKLY UPDATE

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PINE BLUFF CHEMICAL ACTIVITY
PINE BLUFF CHEMICAL AGENT DISPOSAL FACILITY

August 18 - 24, 2009

# PBCDF disposal operations have safely eliminated:

PBCDF WEEKLY TOTALS	AMOUNT
Blister Agent Mustard Ton Containers	63
Blister Agent Mustard Pounds*	103,281

PBCDF PROJECT TOTALS	AMOUNT
Blister Agent Mustard Ton Containers	1,189
Percentage of Blister Agent Mustard Ton Containers	32.11%
Blister Agent Mustard Pounds*	2,019,217
Percentage of Total Chemical Agent Tons (all campaigns)	42.62%

<sup>\*</sup> Includes chemical agent destroyed in the Deactivation Furnace, Metal Parts Furnace and Liquid Incinerator Systems

This week, PBCDF surpassed 2 million pounds of cumulative mustard agent safely processed since the start of the ton container campaign. The site also continued safe and compliant mustard disposal operations as well as both preventive and corrective maintenance activities. The current processing rate allowed by the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality is at 75 percent for the Pine Bluff site. The site is continuing closure activities at the former BZ disposal building in preparation for its demolition.





# **PBCDF Milestone Dates:**

- PBA Stockpile Storage began in 1945
- Construction began in 1999
- Construction complete in 2002
- Testing and Training complete in 2005
- Disposal Operations began in March 2005
- GB M55 rockets: began March 2005 completed May 2007
- VX M55 rockets: began Oct. 2007 completed Feb. 2008
- VX M23 landmines: began May 2008 completed June 2008
- Mustard ton containers: began Dec. 2008 *current*

Pictured Above, Left – the former BZ demilitarization building as it currently stands as one of several buildings on the PBCDF site. During PBCDF disposal operations, the BZ building has been used as a severe weather shelter until newer shelters were built.

Pictured Below, Left - construction of the former BZ demilitarization site. The Arsenal completed BZ disposal operations in 1990. Historical Photo – circa 1984





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