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ANNISTON CHEMICAL ACTIVITY | January 21, 2010

ANCA stores, moves munitions

Anniston Chemical Activity (ANCA) employees, like those here, have safely moved more than 448,650 nerve agent-filled and mustard agent-filled munitions to the Anniston Chemical Agent Disposal Facility for safe, permitted disposal. (Abrams)

Employees have emptied 107 igloos
Anniston stockpile reduced by 67 percent

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. Andrew M. Herbst.
- Disposal is safer than indefinite storage.
- Since 1990, more than 19,370 tons of chemicals and more than 2,273,500 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.

Safe munition processing resumes at ANCDF
Employees carefully, safely handle mortars

Sheria Robertson, a Westinghouse Anniston munitions handler, prepares to place a mustard chemical agent-filled 4.2-inch mortar on the conveyor in support of safe chemical stockpile disposal operations earlier this month. *(Sholin)*

Anniston Milestones

- July 2, 2009: The third, and final, chemical agent-filled munition disposal campaign at the ANCDF begins with 4.2-inch mustard mortars. To date, *83,786* mortars, and *41,366* mustard gallons, have been safely demilitarized.
- July 23, 2006 ~ December 24, 2008: All *219,374* VX agent munitions and *196,925* gallons of VX nerve agent are safely demilitarized by ANCDF employees.
- August 9, 2003 ~ March 2, 2006: All *142,428* GB munitions and *96,078* gallons of GB nerve agent safely demilitarized.
- 1997 ~ 2003: Westinghouse Anniston constructs and tests the ANCDF.
- 1997: U.S. ratifies weapons treaty.
- 1963: Anniston Army Depot begins chemical munitions storage mission.

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