



Depot to undergo Army inspection

The Umatilla Chemical Depot and Umatilla Chemical Agent Disposal Facility (UMCF) are gearing up for a Chemical Surety Inspection (CSI) beginning next week.

The CSI, conducted by the Department of the Army Inspector General (DAIG) every couple years, probes all aspects of storage and handling of chemical weapons both at the depot and the disposal facility. This includes ensuring all employees are adhering to Army and URS rules and regulations.

For example, workers at the UMCF must be able to demonstrate proper donning and doffing of their protective gas mask, and conduct an inspection and cleaning if requested. Other items the DAIG looks for include general safety measures, housekeeping and vehicle security.

The CSI team will spend the first week, April 5-9, at the depot, and then focus on the disposal facility the next week.

Emergency exercise at depot next Thursday

A quarterly emergency preparedness drill is scheduled for Thursday, April 8.

The depot's sirens will be sounded, but not the community sirens. This is a coordinated exercise between the depot, the Umatilla Chemical Agent Disposal Facility, and off-post communities.

Although this is only an exercise, such events are excellent opportunities for individuals – whether at home or work – to stop and ask themselves if they, their families, loved ones or co-workers know what to do if an actual emergency or security incident were to occur. Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness officials recommend residents develop emergency plans for their homes and businesses.

Anyone needing more information about emergency preparedness should phone the following CSEPP toll-free numbers: (877) 367-2737 in Morrow and Umatilla counties, Ore., and (800) 841-7953 in Benton County, Wash.

Citizens should report any suspicious activities in and around the depot to their local police departments or the depot at (541) 564-8632. Citizens are also reminded to be vigilant about their surroundings.

UMCDF Highlights

- It has been 1,363 days, or more than 6.2 million work hours, since a lost-time accident occurred at the UMCF (July 7, 2006).

Umatilla Chemical Agent Disposal Facility Processing (March 25 - 31, 2010)

Total number of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed this period	0
Total number of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed to date	229
Percentage of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed to date	8.7
Total "recipient" HD ton containers* destroyed this period	0
Total "recipient" HD ton containers* destroyed to date	133
Pounds of HD agent destroyed this period	0
Pounds of HD agent destroyed to date	378,992
Pounds of total agent destroyed to date <i>Includes GB, VX and HD</i>	3,145,174
Total munitions destroyed to date since start of operations (Sept. 7, 2004) <i>including non-stockpile GB and VX ton containers</i>	218,212
Nominal tons of chemical agent destroyed to date	1,567.36
Percentage of total agent tons destroyed	42.16

**Recipient ton containers are byproducts of mustard disposal and were not a part of the original stockpile.*

UMCD/UMCDF Milestones

- **June 11, 2009:** Began first HD ton container destruction in the Metal Parts Furnace (MPF).
- **June 4, 2009:** First HD ton containers transported from depot storage to disposal plant.
- **Nov. 5, 2008:** Completed VX munitions campaign.
- **Oct. 26, 2007:** Began VX munitions campaign.
- **July 8, 2007:** Completed GB munitions campaign.
- **Sept. 7, 2004:** Began GB munitions campaign.

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