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## ***BECHTEL HANFORD INC., RECEIVES PERFORMANCE FEE REPORT***

*John D. Wagoner, Manager of the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Richland Operations Office (RL), has notified Bechtel Hanford, Inc. (BHI) that the company has received its third consecutive excellent performance fee rating.*

*BHI is DOE's Environmental Restoration Contractor at Hanford. BHI received an 86.5 percent rating, earning a \$4.498 million performance fee for the period from April 1, 1995 through September 30, 1995.*

*In a letter to BHI President J. F. Nemeč, Wagoner complimented the company on its project management abilities. "By managing your subcontractors and integrating their specific strengths into the DOE Environmental Restoration (ER) Project, you are contributing to a project that is making significant and visible progress in the cleanup of the Hanford Site. This is your third consecutive excellent performance fee rating and is confirmation that BHI is clearly meeting the expectations of DOE. BHI is a shining example that Hanford can be managed as a project."*

*Wagoner stated that BHI continues to bring the best commercial practices to the ER project. This helped BHI meet all of the Hanford Facility Agreement and Consent Order milestones, meet or exceed cost savings goals, and enabled DOE to accomplish work on projects where the work schedule was moved up.*

*BHI's work was evaluated on 16 Performance Objective Criteria divided into three areas. These included:*

*Project Performance: Overall, DOE rated BHI's performance as excellent. Major ER projects, such as the Environmental Restoration Disposal Facility, N Reactor Deactivation work and Decontamination and Decommissioning projects were performed ahead of schedule and under budget.*

*Safety, Health and Quality Assurance: BHI achieved one million man hours worked without a lost workday. BHI's Voluntary Protection Program has been implemented and is considered to have met the excellent standard. The Radiation Protection Plan was approved and implemented, but a series of radiologically related events indicate a need for overall improvement in performance.*

*Productivity and Realignment: DOE complimented BHI on its aggressive pursuit of cost savings which are exceeding savings anticipated by the ER project. BHI's project management and control systems have reached maturity and are organized, staffed and planned to meet essential requirements.*

*Other significant contributions BHI has made to the DOE ER program include:*

- Negotiating a new labor agreement with the Hanford Metal Trades Council (HAMTC).*
- Preparing an outstanding C-Reactor safe storage proposal.*

- *Exceeding socioeconomic goals for small business subcontracting.*

*"Congratulations on an excellent to outstanding performance. The DOE ER Project, RL, and DOE Headquarters look forward to continued outstanding performance in the next period," Wagoner said. "By changing the way we are doing business on the Hanford cleanup, you are demonstrating that progress, safe operations, and cost savings are mutually compatible goals. Please extend my congratulations to all of your employees and subcontractors for their excellent work and the major progress that the BHI team is making on the Hanford cleanup."*

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