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WORKING SAFELY TO REMEDIATE HANFORD

GROUNDWATER : At the Fluor Hanford-managed Groundwater Protection Program, Jim Mokler maintains safe work conditions as he opens resin containers (inset) to begin the arduous task of replacing resin at the 100H Area pump-and-treat system. Resin must be periodically replaced in the system's treatment tanks to ensure that the hexavalent chromium that the system is treating will effectively adhere. Pump-and-treat systems operated by the Groundwater Protection Program in the 100D, 100H, and 100K Areas pump groundwater containing hexavalent chromium from extraction wells, treat the water, and return it to the aquifer at an upstream location. (For more on the GPP safety program, see below.)



WHERE SAFETY IS A VALUE:

“Safety Day”— a special feature of the Groundwater Protection Program’s integrated safety program — promotes safe work conditions and contributes to the pro-gram’s excellent safety record. “Safety Day” is a time for employees to reflect on safe work and living practices already in place, look for areas of improvement and honor those who have completed significant safety-related accomplishments. At left, carpenter Robin Welch enjoys a hamburger cooked by his manager. At right: Dorman Blankenship (left) presents a safety award to radiological control technician Bob Crandall.



Program work crew in the 200 East Area, safety is *more* than a priority — priorities change with time,” said operations manager Russ Fabre. “ Out here, safety is a personal value. It *always* comes first — before job planning, before scheduled development — and it is integrated into all workscope.”

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ACKNOWLEDGING SAFETY PERFORMANCE: Ron Oakely (left), group executive of Fluor's Government Services group, chats with Charlie Givens, Waste Receiving and Processing facility safety officer, and Tim Callaway, chairman of the WRAP Employee Zero Accident Council and a nuclear chemical operator, during a stop at WRAP on July 16. Oakely visited Hanford to acknowledge the outstanding safety performance of personnel at the Hanford Fire Department, the Waste Sampling and Characterization Facility and the WRAP facility.