

Roberson sworn in as EM assistant secretary

The Department of Energy announced on July 18 that Jessie Roberson was sworn in as assistant secretary for Environmental Management. "I am pleased and excited about Jessie joining me here at the Energy Department," said Secretary of Energy Spencer Abraham. "She brings tremendous experience and knowledge that will be an asset to our team at DOE."

As assistant secretary for Environmental Management, Roberson will spearhead efforts to clean up inactive waste sites and facilities — including the Hanford Site — and manage waste operations, research-and-development programs and environmental restoration.

Roberson was confirmed with the unanimous consent of the United States Senate. She has been a member of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board and was the DOE manager of the Rocky Flats Field Office in Colorado from 1996 to 1999.

In 1996, Roberson was named National Black Engineer of the Year for Professional Achievement in Government. She has also held positions with Georgia Power Company and DuPont. Originally from Evergreen, Ala., she is a graduate of the University of Tennessee at Knoxville. ♦



Jessie Roberson, center, is sworn in as DOE assistant secretary for Environmental Management.