Earlier today, the Department of Energy (DOE) authorized us to resume lower-risk work at the Plutonium Finishing Plant after verifying we completed pre-start corrective actions related to our management assessment and DOE oversight of the assessment. There are a few field items to complete before we can resume lower-risk work, including installing some water lines in the demolition area. Next week, we anticipate starting the lower-risk demolition activity of loading out demolition debris already on the ground.

I want to thank our client, regulators, the Hanford Atomic Metal Trades Council, the Building Trades, CH2M HILL Plateau Remediation Company teams and workers across the Hanford Site for helping us implement enhanced controls, including larger radiological areas, to ensure employee and environmental safety as we move forward. These enhanced controls include worker input and reflect corrective actions implemented as a result of the December 2017 contamination spread. External groups, such as a DOE Expert Panel, evaluated these enhanced controls and provided feedback, which we incorporated.

I’d also like to thank the PFP team. Your professionalism and partnership over the past several months allowed us to plan for and resume work. The key moving forward will be to protect the enhanced controls we developed and implemented. Safety and compliance will guide our schedule and is our number one priority.

Thank you.