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Mission Support Alliance Earns Sustainability Award

RICHLAND, Wash. – The Department of Energy (DOE) awarded Hanford Site contractor Mission Support Alliance (MSA) an honorable mention in the Outstanding Sustainability Program/Project category of its 2019 Sustainability Awards.

As the site services contractor, MSA helps raise awareness of the Bonneville Power Administration's (BPA) incentive program that encourages BPA customers to reduce energy use. MSA's Energy Management team identifies opportunities for sitewide energy efficiency and collaborates with all Hanford contractors for program participation.

In 2018, Hanford Site projects that qualified for the BPA program included installing LED lighting, downsizing transformers, dismantling outdated roadway lighting, and updating ventilation systems.

Hanford contractors received over \$279,000 in incentives and saved more than 1.2 million kilowatt hours in 2018—enough to power 111 homes for a year—and reduced greenhouse gas emissions, equal to removing nearly 100 cars from the road.

"MSA has made significant progress on improving the site's energy management program over the last few years," said Jeff Frey, DOE Richland Operations Office assistant manager for mission support. "This is one of many ways we are continuing to reduce costs at Hanford."

For 2019, MSA's Energy Management team is expected to identify energy savings of more than 1.7 million kilowatt hours and earn incentives exceeding \$400,000. The money from the energy incentives is reinvested at Hanford.

"The team has done an outstanding job of raising awareness about energy efficiency and the BPA incentive program," said Lana Strickling, manager of the Environmental Compliance and Sustainability organization at MSA. "The recent success of the program is largely due to their persistence and perseverance."

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The Department of Energy (DOE) is responsible for the federal government's cleanup of the legacy of more than 40 years of plutonium production at the Hanford Site near Richland, Wash. The DOE Office of River Protection (ORP) is responsible for the safe and efficient retrieval, treatment and disposal of the 56 million gallons of chemical and radioactive waste stored in Hanford's 177 underground tanks. The River Protection Project is the largest and most complex environmental remediation project in the nation. ORP oversees the tank waste management mission and the building of the world's largest radioactive waste treatment plant, which will immobilize the legacy tank waste through vitrification. The DOE Richland Operations Office is responsible for all remaining Hanford cleanup and is currently focused on demolishing the high-hazard Plutonium Finishing Plant, excavating and disposing of contaminated soil and waste, treating contaminated groundwater, moving radioactive sludge out of the K West Basin and away from the Columbia River, and configuring Hanford Site infrastructure for the future, with an emphasis on supporting the tank waste mission. The two offices oversee Hanford Site work that is conducted by a federal and contractor workforce of approximately 9,000 personnel. Visit www.hanford.gov for more information about Hanford Site.

About MSA

Mission Support Alliance, a team of [Leidos](#) and [Centerra Group](#), has responsibility for the Mission Support Contract at the Hanford Site. MSA provides a number of cross-cutting services to the DOE and other contractors at the Hanford Site to facilitate cleanup activities. MSA is responsible for areas such as site infrastructure, utilities, transportation, environmental integration, safety, emergency services and training, external affairs, information management and portfolio management. MSA: Partnering to move the mission forward. <http://msa.hanford.gov/>



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