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Hanford Site Contractors Receive Award for Procurement of Sustainable Electronics

RICHLAND, Wash. – Three Hanford Site contractors – Mission Support Alliance (MSA), CH2M HILL Plateau Remediation Company (CH2M) and Washington River Protection Solutions (WRPS) – were recently recognized as leaders in the procurement and use of sustainable information technology products by the Green Electronics Council and managers of the Electronic Product Environmental Assessment Tool (EPEAT) label. The council recognizes companies for their efforts to reduce costs while also taking steps to protect the environment and reduce greenhouse gases.

EPEAT is a ranking system that helps companies compare and select desktop computers and office equipment based on their environmental attributes. The equipment includes monitors, copiers, thin clients, fax machines, and tablets.

Mission Support Alliance (MSA) purchased the EPEAT products for use by contractors at Hanford which will result in a reduction of 363.5 metric tons of primary materials; the avoidance of 1.6 metric tons of water pollutant emissions; the avoidance of disposal of 2.6 metric tons of hazardous waste; and a savings of more than one million kilowatt hours of electricity – enough to power 81 average-sized homes for a year.

“As the site integrator for the Department of Energy, we want to bring in products that are environmentally friendly, energy efficient and reduce costs,” said Todd Eckman, MSA vice president for Information Management. “Our IT procurement team partnered with MSA, CH2M and WRPS to select appropriate products that help reduce our carbon footprint, reflecting the Hanford community’s commitment to environmental awareness.”

Award winners were recognized for their purchases in three IT product categories: PCs and displays, imaging equipment, and televisions. Award winners earned one star for each product category in which they committed to purchasing EPEAT-registered products.

The submission from the three Hanford contractors received a three-star award.

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About MSA

Mission Support Alliance, a team of [Leidos](#), [Jacobs Engineering](#) 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/msa>

About CH2M

CH2M is a global engineering and project delivery company partnering with public and private clients to tackle the world's most complex infrastructure and natural resource challenges. The firm's work is concentrated in the water, transportation, energy, environment and industrial markets. CH2M has gross revenues of \$5.4 billion, has 22,000 employees and is a specialist in program, construction and operations management and design. For more information, visit www.ch2m.com.

About WRPS

Washington River Protection Solutions is a limited liability corporation owned by AECOM and Atkins, with AREVA as its primary subcontractor. The company's mission is to reduce the environmental risk posed by 56 million gallons of radioactive and chemical waste stored in 177 underground tanks near the center of the 586-square-mile Hanford Site in southeastern Washington state. For more, visit www.wrpstoc.com.