

College group checks out UMCD



Lt. Col. Bob Stein greets Karen Winzowski, Visiting Professor of Politics, Whitman College, Walla Walla, and six of her students in the depot Operations Center Wednesday. The group took a depot windshield tour and visited with treaty staff during a field trip for their "Arms Control and WMD" senior seminar class.

Washington Group, URS merger agreement amended

URS Corporation and Washington Group International, the company that built and operates the Umatilla Chemical Agent Disposal Facility (UMCDF), announced Monday that their previously announced definitive merger agreement for the acquisition of Washington Group by URS has been amended. The new agreement would increase the consideration to be received by Washington Group stockholders and provide them with the ability to elect to receive cash, stock, or cash and stock for their shares (subject to proration). All terms of the original merger agreement not related to the revised merger consideration remain substantially unchanged.

Upon completion of the transaction, Washington Group stockholders would own approximately 35 percent of the combined company, compared with approximately 32 percent under the terms of the original merger agreement.

Consummation of the transaction is subject to the approval of the revised definitive merger agreement by certain Washington Group stockholders, and the approval of the issuance by URS of shares of common stock in the transaction by certain URS stockholders. The companies have rescheduled their special meetings of stockholders for Nov. 15 to provide investors with additional time to evaluate the revised offer.

UMCDF Highlights

- It has been 488 days since a lost-time accident occurred at the UMCDF (July 7, 2006).

Umatilla Chemical Agent Disposal Facility Processing (Nov. 1 - 7, 2007)

Total number of VX-filled rockets destroyed this period	639
Total number of VX-filled rockets destroyed to date	769
Percentage of VX rockets destroyed to date	5.3
Pounds of VX agent destroyed this period	161.5
Pounds of total VX agent destroyed to date	214.9
Total munitions destroyed to date since start of operations (Sept. 7, 2004)	156,438
Nominal tons of chemical agent destroyed to date	1,014.01
Percentage of total agent tons destroyed	27.28

UMCD/UMCDF Milestones

- **Oct. 29, 2007:** Processed the first VX M55 rockets in the DFS.
- **Oct. 26, 2007:** First VX M55 rockets transported from depot storage to disposal plant.
- **July 8, 2007:** Final GB 155mm projectile processed through the MPF — GB campaign complete.
- **July 3, 2007:** Final shipment of GB munitions from depot storage to disposal facility.
- **June 27, 2007:** Reached 1,000 nominal agent tons destroyed.
- **April 15, 2007:** Reached 25 percent of total agent tons destroyed.
- **Jan. 25, 2007:** Began the GB 155mm projectile campaign.
- **Jan. 3, 2007:** Completed the GB 8-inch projectile campaign.
- **Nov. 6, 2006:** Processed the 100,000th munition stockpiled at Umatilla.
- **Sept. 28, 2006:** Began GB M426 8-inch projectile campaign.
- **Aug. 9, 2006:** Completed GB M55 rocket campaign.

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