

Emergency exercise prepares depot, community for chemical accident



The Umatilla Chemical Depot, UMCD and several agencies outside the depot participated in the annual full-scale Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program (CSEPP) emergency exercise yesterday.

Depot and UMCD emergency workers practiced dealing with a chemical agent-related incident on the depot. The exercise began around 9:20 a.m. and lasted about six hours.

Along with UMCD and UMCD personnel, off-post Emergency Operations Centers at various sites participated in the drill.



Top: UMCD Commander Lt. Col. Kris Perkins reviews a situation report during yesterday's CSEPP drill. Above: The depot Emergency Operations Center is a busy place.

UMCDF Highlights

- It has been 1,412 days, or more than 6.5 million work hours, since a lost-time accident occurred at the UMCD (July 7, 2006).

Umatilla Chemical Agent Disposal Facility Processing (May 13 - 19, 2010)

Total number of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed this period	7
Total number of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed to date	267
Percentage of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed to date	10.1
Total "recipient" HD ton containers* destroyed this period	5
Total "recipient" HD ton containers* destroyed to date	152
Pounds of HD agent destroyed this period	15,049
Pounds of HD agent destroyed to date	464,782
Pounds of total agent destroyed to date <i>Includes GB, VX and HD</i>	3,230,964
Total munitions destroyed to date since start of operations (Sept. 7, 2004) <i>including non-stockpile GB and VX ton containers</i>	218,250
Nominal tons of chemical agent destroyed to date	1,610.25
Percentage of total agent tons destroyed	43.32

*Recipient ton containers are byproducts of mustard disposal and were not a part of the original stockpile.

UMCD/UMCDF Milestones

- June 11, 2009:** Began first HD ton container destruction in the Metal Parts Furnace (MPF).
- June 4, 2009:** First HD ton containers transported from depot storage to disposal plant.
- Nov. 5, 2008:** Completed VX munitions campaign.
- Oct. 26, 2007:** Began VX munitions campaign.
- July 8, 2007:** Completed GB munitions campaign.
- Sept. 7, 2004:** Began GB munitions campaign.

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