

## Significant Improvements Give ICF Kaiser Hanford \$1.5 Million Award Fee

Richland, Wash., June 13 -- A significant improvement in conduct of operations and noteworthy recognition as an authority on water hammer events earned ICF Kaiser Hanford Company an evaluation score of 84 for its six-month evaluation period which ended March 31.

This equates to an award fee payment of nearly \$1.5 million under its new performance-based contract with Westinghouse Hanford Company. ICF Kaiser Hanford earned \$250,000 of the available subjective base fee pool and another \$1.2 million under the objective performance-based incentive fee pool.

"We're very pleased with ICF Kaiser Hanford's commitment to enhance the partnering relationship and its efforts to help further integrate our two companies", said Dr. LaMar Trego, Westinghouse Hanford president.

Westinghouse and ICF Kaiser signed a new contract last March agreeing to an on-going partnership to accelerate Hanford's cleanup progress and drive down costs. The agreement reflects the extended performance-based contract WHC signed with the U.S. Department of Energy.

Trego noted other positive ICF Kaiser Hanford achievements for the last six months. These include:

- Significant strides toward establishing a safety culture
- Improved performance in the area of engineering and construction
- Proactive integration of oversight activities such as planning and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) reviews

Trego also pointed out several deficiencies such as the delay in schedule of the 242-A Evaporator/PUREX Plant Condensate treatment facility and the lack of effective control of work performed by its subcontractors.

"While ICF Kaiser Hanford has made good strides, we look forward to even more positive progress in the next evaluation period", Trego said.

Note to Editors: A copy of the executive summary is attached. Copies of the full award fee evaluation are available in the DOE Public Reading Room, Room 130, WSU-Tri-Cities, 100 Sprout Road, Richland, WA.

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