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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY TO EXTEND MANAGEMENT AND OPERATION CONTRACT FOR ITS STANFORD LINEAR ACCELERATOR CENTER

OAK RIDGE, Tenn. – The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) today announced that it will extend, for up to two years, the management and operating (M&O) contract for its Stanford Linear Accelerator Center (SLAC) in Menlo Park, California. The Board of Trustees for the Leland Stanford Junior University currently holds SLAC’s M&O contract, set to expire September 30, 2007. The annual estimated value for this performance-based contract is \$316 million.

“The researchers at the Stanford Linear Accelerator Center continue to make leading contributions to science,” Under Secretary for Science Raymond L. Orbach said. “Through this contracting process, DOE is seeking the best possible management of this laboratory to sustain our nation’s cutting-edge resources.”

SLAC’s current contract with the Board of Trustees for the Leland Stanford Junior University was signed on March 29, 2004. SLAC has full- and part-time staff of approximately 1,546 employees, while hosting more than 3,000 scientists annually for research in photon science and in particle physics and particle astrophysics.

As one of the Department’s seventeen world class national laboratories, SLAC is an international leader in the design, construction and operation of state-of-the-art electron accelerators and related experimental facilities for use in photon science and high energy physics research. Six scientists have won the Nobel Prize for discoveries made at SLAC.

More information about DOE’s Stanford Linear Accelerator Laboratory is available at:
<http://www.slac.stanford.edu/>.

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