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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

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SUBJECT: 2008 Pollution Prevention Awards

I am pleased to congratulate the recipients of this year's DOE pollution prevention (P2) awards. The organizations and individuals who designed and implemented the practices meriting these awards demonstrate the Department's commitment to preventing pollution and promoting environmental stewardship. These practices represent the resourcefulness of site personnel in utilizing site environmental management systems as an effective platform to successfully procure environmentally preferable products, recycle post-consumer materials, modify processes to eliminate or minimize waste and use of toxic materials, and design and build facilities that conserve energy and natural resources.

This year, DOE sites submitted 77 P2 award nominations of which 28 were designated as P2 best-in-class by program offices or administrations. From these designations, the Office of Health, Safety and Security convened an independent panel of judges from the Departments of Treasury, Interior, and Homeland Security who selected eight P2 Star Award winners and five P2 Star Honorable Mentions. All of these exemplary practices within the Department contribute to accomplishing our mission in a sustainable, cost-saving, and environmentally responsible manner.

I also want to congratulate the four DOE sites that won awards through the prestigious White House Closing-the-Circle Awards competition. This White House award recognizes outstanding achievements of Federal employees and their facilities for efforts that resulted in significant contributions to environmental stewardship. In addition, seven DOE sites are also to be congratulated this year for winning Federal Electronics Challenge awards.

I offer both my admiration and thanks to the diligent and creative people who took the initiative to prove the value of pollution prevention in reducing mission vulnerability and operational costs, improving worker safety, and protecting public health and the environment. Their award-winning practices serve as models for the other DOE sites and for other Federal agencies. The honored sites, the awards they received, and their noteworthy practices are listed in the attachment to this memorandum.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY 2008 POLLUTION PREVENTION AWARDS AND WHITE HOUSE CLOSING THE CIRCLE AWARDS

P2 STAR WINNERS

National Renewable Energy Laboratory

– First LEED Platinum DOE Laboratory – NREL's Science and Technology Facility

Sandia National Laboratories in New Mexico.

– New LEED-NC Certified Buildings at Sandia National Laboratories/New Mexico

- Electronics Stewardship Another Year of Progress
- Sandia's EMS Implementation and Exemplary Outreach Program and Facilities Integration

Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory

- Reusing Science - The SciBooNE Experiment at Fermilab

Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory

- PPPL's Outstanding Recycling in FY07

Oak Ridge National Laboratory

– ORNL's Green Transportation Initiative

- ORNL's Comprehensive Sustainability Initiative - Inside and Out

P2 STAR HONORABLE MENTIONS

Savannah River Site

- Electronics Management and Recycle

Sandia National Laboratories—New Mexico

- Green Chemistry Saves Big Bucks

Brookhaven National Laboratory

- Study of DNA Repair Using Fluorescently Labeled Oligonucleotides

Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory

- PPPL's CNG & B20 Program

Pacific Northwest National Laboratory – Using the EMS to Improve Chemical Management

WHITE HOUSE CLOSING THE CIRCLE AWARD WINNERS

Oak Ridge National Laboratory

- ORNL's Green Transportation Initiative

Department of Energy Headquarters

– The Federal EMS Metrics Workgroup: Taking Aggressive Action, Achieving Impressive Results

WHITE HOUSE CLOSING THE CIRCLE AWARD HONORABLE MENTIONS

Sandia National Laboratories/New Mexico

– Sandia's EMS Implementation and Exemplary Outreach Program and Facilities Integration

National Renewable Energy Laboratory

– First LEED Platinum DOE Laboratory – NREL's Science and Technology Facility

FEDERAL ELECTRONICS CHALLENGE AWARD WINNERS: SILVER

Brookhaven National Laboratory

National Renewable Energy Laboratory

FEDERAL ELECTRONICS CHALLENGE AWARD WINNERS: BRONZE

Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory

Idaho National Laboratory

Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant

Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant

Sandia National Laboratories/New Mexico

FEDERAL ELECTRONICS CHALLENGE FEDERAL AGENCY AWARD WINNER

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