NEWS from The Savannah River Site



Media Contact: Fran Poda (803) 952-8671 fran.poda@srs.gov

For immediate release

NMA Honors Top Executive and Manager

AIKEN, S.C. (June 24, 2008) – The Savannah River chapter of the National Management Association (NMA) has named Dave Olson as Executive of the Year and Stuart MacVean as Manager of the Year. These awards are the highest levels of recognition offered by the NMA and are given to individuals who demonstrate an unwavering commitment to leadership excellence, both at work and in the community.

Olson is Washington Savannah River Company's (WSRC) executive vice president for Liquid Waste Operations. He is recognized by his employees as a leader who is never content with the status quo, constantly striving to improve leadership tools and quality in the workplace. He led his 1,100-person organization to unprecedented progress in waste canister production and tank closure, while enabling continuous improvement in safety by fostering Behavior Based Safety and Human Performance Improvement initiatives. He balances his work with community leadership initiatives, particularly at Aiken Christian School, striving to set an example for his family and his community. He served as the NMA corporate sponsor for 2007-2008.

MacVean manages WSRC's Material Disposition organization, where he leads nearly 700 employees in H Canyon, HB Line and the Spent Fuel Project. He provides leadership and nuclear oversight to these key SRS facilities, while maximizing workforce potential in a continuously changing environment. He is an active proponent of employee development, constantly mentoring his employees and managers, helping to identify leadership opportunities at SRS and elsewhere in the DOE complex. MacVean is actively involved in the United Way, Chamber of Commerce, Citizens for Nuclear Technology Awareness, and the NMA.

Nominees submitted for these awards are senior executives and mid-level managers respectively. They work for companies affiliated with NMA, who have gained noteworthy recognition for their accomplishments in the field of management, and who conducted their personal and business affairs in a manner in keeping with the Association's Code of Ethics.

SRS is owned by DOE and operated by a team of companies led by URS Washington Division.

WSRC-08-25