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U.S. Army awards \$4.28M and \$687K performance-based acquisitions for Installation Cleanup

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. - The U.S. Army Environmental Command (USAEC) awarded a \$4.28 million performance based task order to Environmental Chemical Corporation, Burlingame, Calif., on July 1 for environmental remediation services at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.; Weldon Spring Training Area, Mo.; and Charles Melvin Price Support Center, Ill. The USAEC also awarded a \$687 thousand performance-based task order to EA Engineering, Science and Technology Incorporated, Sparks, Md., for environmental remediation services at Fort Buchanan, Puerto Rico.

The Fort Leonard Wood, Weldon Springs Training Area, and Charles Melvin Price Support Center task order was awarded on the Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity Contract administered by Aberdeen Proving Ground Directorate of Contracting for a period of performance through September 2013. The task order involves cleanup work at eight Fort Leonard Wood sites, one Weldon Spring Training Area site, and two Charles Melvin Price Support Center sites.

The Fort Buchanan task order was awarded on the BEST II Contract administered by the Aberdeen Proving Ground Directorate of Contracting for a period of performance through September 2009. The task order includes performance objectives for achieving an approved Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Facility Investigation at 14 Fort Buchanan sites by the end of March 2009 and achieving an approved RCRA Corrective Measures Study at one Fort Buchanan site by the end of September 2009.

Performance-based acquisition ensures there is a clear understanding of the schedule and cost of work being performed and the related objectives to be achieved. The Army has found awarding performance-based contracts for environmental remediation services is a very effective means of accomplishing its cleanup objectives and benefits all involved.

Under a performance-based contract, the Army states the desired end result, and it's up to the contractor to take the necessary steps to get there. Contractors must still seek approval from the Army and regulators before implementing final cleanup remedies, and the Army still has the ultimate responsibility for the cleanup of its installations.

By providing clear definitions of performance expectations and evaluation criteria, there is a better likelihood that expectations will be reached to all parties' satisfaction. Linking payments to milestones provides incentives to develop and implement an effective and efficient approach to achieving regulatory closure.

For more information on the Army's performance-based acquisition program, see <http://aec.army.mil/usaec/cleanup/pbc00.html>

For more information on the U.S. Army Environmental Command, visit <http://aec.army.mil>

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