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## Alumnus Recognized by Secretary of Energy for Work at National Lab

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The National Energy Technology Laboratory is proud to announce that U.S. Air Force Academy alumnus Roy Long has received a Department of Energy Secretary Achievement Award for his part in responding to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill that occurred in the Gulf of Mexico in 2010.

Long and other researchers formed a team that estimated the rate and amount of oil flowing into the Gulf so engineers could design options for capping the well. Each team member received an award from Energy Secretary Steven Chu. It is the highest nonmonetary award a DOE team can receive from the Department.

Long is a technology manager with NETL's Strategic Center for Natural Gas and Oil. He graduated from USAFA in 1970 and went on to receive his MSc in petroleum engineering from the Colorado School of Mines. Long is a 30-year member of the Society of Petroleum Engineers. He now resides in the Houston area.

You can read more about the role Long and NETL played in the Deepwater Horizon oil spill response at the NETL web site.

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