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Biography

Keith A. Klein
Manager



Keith A. Klein was selected as Manager of the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Richland Operations Office (RL) on March 23, 1999. In this position he is responsible for the Department's missions at the 586-square-mile Hanford Site, including cleanup of the environmental legacy from past 50 years of nuclear weapons materials production.

Mr. Klein has more than 30 years experience in the nuclear and waste management areas. His career highlights include overcoming the final major hurdles to open the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant for disposal of the nation's transuranic waste in 1999 as the Acting Manager of DOE's Carlsbad Office; directing actions to dramatically accelerate cleanup and closure at Rocky Flats as the Deputy Manager of that DOE office; and working DOE complex-wide issues as Executive Officer to the Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management. He has been widely recognized for his ability to successfully deal with a range of technical, legal and managerial challenges associated with the nuclear production cycle -- from power generation, to weapons facility operations, material disposition, and environmental remediation. In October 2001, in recognition of his leadership and skill, Keith was honored with a Presidential Rank Award -- the nation's highest award for a civil servant.

He has an M.S. in nuclear engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a B.S. in electrical engineering from Cornell University.

Mr. Klein is a native of Morgantown, West Virginia. He is married to Linda and they have two children, Jessica and Michael.

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