



Blue Grass Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant

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## Tom McKinney

### **Project Manager Bechtel Parsons Blue Grass**

Tom McKinney, a Bechtel National principal vice president, became the Bechtel Parsons Blue Grass project manager in April 2011. His duties include leading the joint venture systems contractor team in designing, constructing, testing, operating and closing the Blue Grass Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant.

From 2004 to 2007, he managed Bechtel's Defense and Space operations — a \$3.9 billion portfolio of major projects in the United States, former Soviet Union, and the Kwajalein Atoll. This portfolio included the Blue Grass and Pueblo, Colorado, chemical agent destruction pilot plants and the Aberdeen Chemical Agent Disposal Facility in Maryland.

During Mr. McKinney's tenure as manager of operations, Aberdeen was the first chemical agent destruction facility in the continental U.S. to complete draining and neutralization of its stockpile, thus successfully eliminating the risk of chemical agent storage to the surrounding community.

Mr. McKinney brings more than 38 years of project management experience to Bechtel Parsons. He previously served as associate director for project management and site services at the U.S. Department of Energy's Los Alamos National Laboratory. In a previous role, he served as the deputy general manager of Bechtel SAIC Company, LLC, for the design and licensing of the Yucca Mountain Project (the planned repository for commercial spent nuclear fuel, national laboratory high-level radioactive waste, and defense-related nuclear waste). The Yucca Mountain License Application was successfully completed during his assignment; and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission formally accepted the Application on its review docket.

Mr. McKinney holds a Master of Science degree in nuclear engineering from University of Washington and a Bachelor of Science degree in chemical engineering from Oregon State University. He is a registered professional engineer and a member of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers and the American Nuclear Society. He currently serves on the Oregon State University School of Engineering Advisory Board.



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