



Blue Grass Chemical Agent-  
Destruction Pilot Plant

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## Blue Grass Facility to Gain Specialized Shipment Containers

*Reuse of Enhanced On-site Containers will produce cost savings and enhance safety*

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RICHMOND, Ky. – The Blue Grass Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant (BGCAPP) will begin receiving shipments of Enhanced On-site Containers (EONCs) beginning in December 2010 from closing chemical stockpile disposal facilities in Arkansas and Alabama.

EONCs are used to transport chemical weapons from storage to processing facilities. They prevent release of chemical agent to the atmosphere in the unlikely event a munition should develop a leak and have been successfully used to transport munitions at U.S. Army Chemical Materials Agency (CMA) sites in Tooele, Utah; Umatilla, Ore.; Anniston, Ala.; and Pine Bluff, Ark.

BGCAPP expects to receive more than 50 EONC containers during the course of the next year. The initial shipment of containers will come from the Pine Bluff Chemical Agent Disposal Facility in Arkansas, which recently completed its chemical demilitarization mission. The Anniston Chemical Agent Disposal Facility in Alabama will begin shipping units once it completes its mission in 2011. Officials have confirmed that these containers were never exposed to chemical agent; however, each will still be emptied and cleaned prior to shipment to Kentucky.

Reusing EONCs from other sites will save BGCAPP more than \$10 million when compared to the cost of purchasing new equipment.

“This is just another great example of how we’ve been able to leverage the lessons learned and equipment from our CMA brethren to save time and money,” said BGCAPP Site Project Manager Jeff Brubaker. “Pine Bluff recently completed destruction operations, and we’re glad to be inheriting the top notch equipment that made their mission a success in order to provide yet another layer of protection here at BGCAPP.”

For more information, please view the [fact sheet](#) or visit our website at <http://www.pmacwa.army.mil/bgcapp/index.html>.

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