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Herndon Named WIPP Safety Manager

CARLSBAD, N.M., January 12, 2005 – Washington TRU Solutions LLC (WTS), management and operating contractor for the U.S. Department of Energy's Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP), has asked Craig Herndon to head the plant's safety department. Herndon has worked for Washington Group International for the past 14 years. He assumed duties at WIPP on January 10.

Herndon received a B.A. in political science from the University of South Carolina and an M.S. in safety and environmental management from West Virginia University. Prior to coming to WIPP, Herndon was Washington Group's corporate senior safety manager in Cleveland, Ohio. He is a certified safety professional and holds professional memberships in the American Society of Safety Engineers and National Safety Council.

"Craig will be a terrific asset to our project. He has the talent and expertise to manage a first-class program like the one we run at WIPP," said WTS General Manager Steve Warren.

Herndon offers more than 17 years of experience in safety, health and crisis management programs. As the WIPP safety manager, Herndon will oversee industrial safety and hygiene, health services, radiological safety and emergency management, environmental monitoring support and the WIPP laboratories.

WTS has managed and operated WIPP, the world's first repository for the permanent

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disposal of defense-generated transuranic radioactive waste, for 20 years.

WTS parent company, Washington Group International, was named to 2004's top 17 safest U.S. companies by Occupational Hazards, the leading magazine of safety, health and loss prevention.

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