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Hobbs Teachers Awarded Mini Grants

HOBBS, N.M., JUNE 3, 2011 – Two Hobbs elementary school teachers have been awarded Excellence-in-Teaching Mini Grants by URS Washington TRU Solutions (WTS).

Maureen Ebert and Erica Armstrong, both teachers at Mills Elementary, were awarded the grants last month. WTS manages and operates the U.S. Department of Energy's Waste Isolation Pilot Plant.

"The Excellence-In-Teaching Mini Grant Program recognizes the outstanding teachers we have in our schools by providing funds to enhance elementary school science, mathematics and technology programs," said Farok Sharif, WTS president and general manager. "We are pleased to do our part to help local teachers who are preparing young men and women for the future."

Public elementary school educators in Hobbs and other communities were invited to submit applications for the program. Teachers typically use the grant monies to purchase supplies to enhance their lessons. To date, WTS has awarded more than \$8,350 in mini-grants to schools in Lea and Eddy counties over the past four years.

WTS's parent company, URS, is a leading provider of engineering, construction and technical services for public agencies and private sector companies around the world.

Caption: Teachers Maureen Ebert, left, and Erica Armstrong, show certificates noting they were selected to receive Excellence-in-Teaching Mini Grants from URS Washington TRU Solutions.