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Tim Rotert Joins WTS as Safety Manager

CARLSBAD, N.M., April 22, 2009 – Washington TRU Solutions, LLC (WTS) has named a 28-year safety veteran to its top safety post. Tim Rotert began work at the U.S. Department of Energy’s (DOE) Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) April 6 and brings a wealth of experience to the project.

“We are pleased to welcome Tim to the WIPP team,” said WTS President and General Manager Farok Sharif. “He will be a great asset to our company in maintaining the high safety standards we have set at WIPP.”

Rotert’s progressive experience includes mine operation safety, government project start-up, industrial hygiene and health and construction safety. Prior to joining WIPP, Rotert served as the safety and health manager at the Yucca Mountain Project, where he was involved in the project’s integrated safety program, DOE Voluntary Protection Program (VPP) and mine rescue team activities.

Last year, the New Mexico Mining Association and the New Mexico Bureau of Mine Safety recognized WTS as “Safe Operator of the Year,” an award WTS has received for 22 consecutive years, based on its mine safety record. In addition, WIPP was recently recommended to maintain its status as a VPP Star Site, a safety recognition the site has maintained since 1994, when it was the first in the DOE complex to achieve VPP Star status.

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WTS is the management and operating contractor for the U.S. Department of Energy's Waste Isolation Pilot Plant. WIPP, the nation's first permanent geologic repository for defense nuclear waste, began disposal operations in 1999. WTS is a URS Washington Division company.