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1,200 To Attend DOE Safety Workshop

Integrated Safety Management (ISM) Workshop Features Nationally Renowned Speakers

KENNEWICK, WASH. — The Department of Energy (DOE) offices at Hanford will host the 2011 Integrated Safety Management (ISM) Champions Workshop at the Three Rivers Convention Center in Kennewick for DOE and contractor employees from sites across the country on September 12-15.

More than 1,200 people are expected to attend the workshop, which features nationally acclaimed keynote speakers and high-level DOE officials.

The workshop agenda also includes tours of Hanford, a safety symposium, technical presentations, and exhibits during the four-day event.

Featured speakers include:

- Jim Whittaker, the first American to summit Mt. Everest and the former CEO of Recreational Equipment Incorporated (REI);
- Richard Picciotto, New York Fire Department Battalion Commander and the highest ranking firefighter to survive the World Trade Center collapse; and
- Dr. John Boice, professor at Vanderbilt University School of Medicine.

For more information on the featured speakers, their biographies are available at: [Featured Speaker Biographies](#)

Department of Energy speakers include:

- Thomas D'Agostino, Under Secretary for Nuclear Security and Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration;
- Glenn Podonsky, Chief of Health, Safety, and Security;

- Jim Hutton, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management, Safety and Security Program;
- Matt McCormick, Manager, Richland Operations Office;
- Scott Samuelson, Manager, Office of River Protection; and
- Roger Snyder, Manager, Pacific Northwest Site Office.

The theme of this year's Workshop is "Safety 360°," which emphasizes the importance of situational awareness, or understanding what is going on all around you, in promoting worker safety.

The objective of Integrated Safety Management is to integrate safety into management and work practices and to ensure the safety of workers, the public, and the environment for all types of DOE work.

******NOTE******

Media are invited to attend the Opening Plenary Session beginning at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, September 14, 2011 to hear the keynote speakers. The session is expected to last for about two hours and 15 minutes at the Three Rivers Convention Center's Great Hall.

WHO: Nationally renowned speakers for 2011 ISM Workshop; high-level DOE officials

WHAT: 2011 Integrated Safety Management Workshop

WHEN: **Wednesday, September 14, 2011, 8 to 10:15 a.m.**

WHERE: Three Rivers Convention Center, Kennewick, Wash.

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