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Carlsbad Field Office Deputy Manager Selected

CARLSBAD, N.M., December 2, 2013 – The U.S. Department of Energy’s (DOE) Carlsbad Field Office (CBFO) announced the selection of Dana Bryson as the Deputy Manager for CBFO, which has responsibility for the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) and National Transuranic (TRU) Program.

Since 2008, Bryson has served as Deputy Assistant Manager and then River Corridor Division Director for DOE’s Richland Operations Office. Responsibilities included cleanup and restoration of the 220 square miles of the Columbia River Corridor, which includes former plutonium production reactors and fuel fabrication, research and support facilities at the Hanford Site, Washington. Prior to 2008, Bryson served in numerous Federal Service management positions with the Office of River Protection, Richland and the U.S. Navy.

“Dana brings more than 30 years of nuclear engineering experience and expertise to the position that should benefit CBFO and WIPP stakeholders,” said CBFO Manager Joe Franco. “I’m pleased to announce his selection and look forward to working with Dana in his new position following his arrival this month.”

“I’m impressed with the dedication of the people performing the WIPP and National TRU Program mission,” said Bryson. “I look forward to joining the WIPP team in this important work, and my wife and I are enthusiastic about becoming part of the Carlsbad community.”

Bryson has a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemical Engineering from Oregon State University and is a certified Senior Technical Safety Manager.

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WIPP is a DOE facility designed to safely isolate defense-related TRU waste from people and the environment. Waste temporarily stored at sites around the country is shipped to WIPP and permanently disposed in rooms mined out of an ancient salt formation 2,150 feet below the surface. WIPP, which began waste disposal operations in 1999, is located 26 miles outside of Carlsbad, N.M.

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