



The Deputy Secretary of Energy
Washington, DC 20585

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MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM HAMEL, JR.
ASSISTANT MANAGER
FOR INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT
IDAHO OPERATIONS OFFICE

FROM: DANIEL B. PONEMAN 

SUBJECT: Designation of Environmental Management Federal Project
Director for the Hanford Waste Treatment and Immobilization
Plant Project, Office of River Protection, Richland, Washington

As required by Department of Energy (DOE) Order 413.3B, *Program and Project Management for the Acquisition of Capital Assets*, I hereby designate you as the Federal Project Director (FPD) for the Office of Environmental Management (EM) capital asset project: Hanford Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant (WTP) Project, Line Item number 01-D-416, Richland, Washington, upon the effective date of your assignment to the Office of River Protection as the Assistant Manager for the Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant.

I have reviewed your credentials and received feedback from EM and other Department staff. Given the ongoing technical challenges associated with WTP, I believe it is prudent to select an FPD with a strong technical background; therefore, in accordance with DOE Order, 361.1B, I am waiving the specific requirements for a Level IV FPD.

I have found that you have demonstrated the requisite competencies and communication and leadership skills throughout your DOE career necessary to successfully fulfill this position. Your significant experience in radioactive waste management/treatment along with your previous management of FPDs and technical staff will provide significant value to the management of WTP at this time. When needed, utilize the project management expertise of the FPD's within the Office of River Protection.

If you have any further questions, please contact David Huizenga, Senior Advisor for Environmental Management, at (202) 586-7709.

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