



Press Advisory

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TPMC receives DOE VPP Star Status

PIKETON, OHIO: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) presented Theta Pro2Serve Management Company, LLC (TPMC) with a DOE Voluntary Protection Program (VPP) flag late last week, symbolizing that TPMC has achieved Star Status, the highest recognition within the Voluntary Protection Program.

DOE VPP involves management leadership, employee involvement, worksite analysis, hazard prevention and control, and health and safety training. DOE sites are awarded one of three levels of achievement under VPP: Demonstration, Merit, or Star. Matt Vick, U.S. Department of Energy, presented the flag to Michael E. Logan, President of TPMC, and congratulated TPMC on being the first contractor at the Piketon plant to receive the Star recognition. Logan stated that "TPMC has demonstrated a strong safety culture at the plant and volunteered to participate in the DOE VPP. All TPMC employees embraced the program and the achievement of VPP Star clearly demonstrates that TPMC has a truly outstanding program for employee safety and health. I am extremely proud of their accomplishment and knowing that the ultimate result of this program, keeping each and every employee injury free and healthy, is even more rewarding."

DOE VPP was started in 1994 to promote improved safety and health performance through public recognition of outstanding programs. The proven benefits of VPP include: improved management/labor relations, reduced workplace injuries and illnesses, increased employee involvement, improved morale, reduced absenteeism, and public recognition. Over the course of TPMC's contract with DOE, the company's total recordable injury/illness cases (TRC) have decreased from 5.26 in 2005 to zero thus far in calendar year 2009.

TPMC is the prime contractor to the U.S. Department of Energy for infrastructure services at the Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant in Piketon, Ohio.

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TPMC employees help hoist the DOE VPP Star Site flag. (left to right) Matt Vick, DOE; Marsha Bevins, TPMC; Doug Harness, TPMC; Sherry Pernell, TPMC; Tom Rase, TPMC; Mark Anglemyer, TPMC; and Michael E. Logan, TPMC.