

Appendix L -Program Performance Improvement Initiatives

PROGRAM PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVES

The Contractor made proposals dated August 21, 2000, September 19, 2000, and October 2, 2000 (LANL only) to improve program performance at Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) and Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL). Specific milestones and other requirements implementing the proposed Program Performance Improvement Initiatives are contained in Appendix O and other terms of the Prime Contract.

The Contractor will strengthen its management and performance at LANL and LLNL by implementing the above proposals (to the extent not inconsistent with the prime contract including Appendices) and Appendix O, which includes the following:

1. Establish a Vice President for Laboratory Management (VPLM) Position, single point of contact for LANL and LLNL within the University of California's (UC) Office of the President, reporting to the President. The UC President and VPLM are accountable for verification of implementation of Appendix O, including DOE requirements at LANL and LLNL; DOE has approval authority over selection of the VPLM.
2. Establish a Laboratory Senior Management Council (LSMC), reporting to the UC President, for the VPLM, Senior Vice Presidents and Laboratory Directors to review progress, discuss key and future initiatives. The LSMC will establish routine communications to inform and solicit feedback from DOE management on issues/actions.
3. Obtain subcontractor expertise to assist LANL, LLNL, and the VPLM as described in Appendix O.
4. Institutionalize best practices in operational, safety and security management in nuclear facility operations.

Appendix O includes more detailed milestones and measures of program performance improvement initiatives that will be implemented as described in Appendix O. The costs associated with these initiatives are allowable in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Section H Clause entitled, Advanced Understanding of Costs and Expenses.