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***Sent on behalf of WTP Project Director Val McCain***

Team,

As Brian Vance shares below, the Hanford Site will continue in the same posture through next week while conducting some limited planning activities. This will be our fourth week in an essential mission-critical operations posture that maintains maximum teleworking while having small crews on Site to maintain the Plant.

I had the opportunity to visit the jobsite earlier this week and meet up with several of our colleagues who are taking care of the Plant. The team spirit and attitude they each displayed is noteworthy and commendable. It makes me proud, as it should you too, that we have such a supportive and strong team.

Several of you have asked about the health and safety of those who have been tested for COVID-19. Thankfully, to date, no Hanford employees – including at the Vit Plant – have reported a positive diagnosis.

I appreciate everyone's continued patience and resilience as we move forward in our current posture and ensure we are ready to serve when called back. Until then, please continue to take care of yourselves, coworkers and loved ones – we're all in this together.

One team,

- Val

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**From:** ^RL/ORP Manager <[RLORPManager@rl.gov](mailto:RLORPManager@rl.gov)>

**Sent:** Thursday, April 16, 2020

**Subject:** CURRENT HANFORD SITE POSTURE OF ESSENTIAL MISSION CRITICAL OPERATIONS CONTINUES NEXT WEEK

All Hanford Site Employees:

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As we move toward the close of our fourth week in an essential mission-critical operations posture at the Hanford Site, my appreciation goes out again to all of you. We continue to make progress in our Hanford Site mission through remote work, while some of our teammates report on Site to support and maintain safe conditions there.

For the week of April 20, the site posture will remain in the current state of essential mission-critical operations, with some limited planning activities to also be conducted. Each week we will continue to evaluate the multiple factors under consideration that will lead to a decision to begin a phased, structured, and methodical process toward resuming full site operations when conditions support.

While we continue to make progress in our important mission, we will continue to work together in the fight against COVID-19, so I ask that you all continue to focus on maintaining the safety recommendations and guidelines while at home, at work, when in the community, and when it is necessary.

Please continue to monitor the Hanford mobile app and the Hanford website for

updates.

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