



# U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

## DOE Names Interim Manager for Idaho Operations Office

January 29, 2009

Media contact: Tim Jackson, (208) 526-0833

Dennis Miotla, the Office of Nuclear Energy's Deputy Assistant Secretary for Nuclear Power Deployment, has been named the interim manager of the U.S. Department of Energy's Idaho Operations Office, while the Department recruits a permanent manager.

Mr. Miotla will succeed Elizabeth Sellers, who has served as Idaho Operations Office Manager from April, 2003. Sellers plans to retire from federal service in February.

"Under Beth Sellers' leadership, DOE has witnessed the transformation of the Idaho National Laboratory into the nation's leading nuclear energy laboratory, and the appointment of Dennis Miotla to this position will ensure the lab's continued success," said DOE Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Shane Johnson.

Mr. Miotla has been with the Department of Energy for 18 years and has held progressively more responsible positions. Prior to his most recent position, he was the Deputy Director for Nuclear Operations, Office of Nuclear Energy. In that position he was responsible for the transition of the Idaho National Laboratory contract and the management of the Idaho site programs, as well as the radiological facilities programs which encompassed several DOE sites. He was awarded a Presidential Rank Award for his outstanding performance in the advancement of these programs.

Before coming to the Office of Nuclear Energy, Mr. Miotla was the Director, Office of Research, Development and Test Facilities, Office of Defense Programs, National Nuclear Security Administration, where he was responsible for the Federal management of operations and facilities at Los Alamos, Sandia and Lawrence Livermore National Laboratories and the Nevada Test Site.

Mr. Miotla came to the Department of Energy in 1990 with more than 16 years of experience at the Westinghouse Electric Corporation's Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory in West Mifflin, Pennsylvania. At Bettis, he held a variety of positions in nuclear reactor design and analysis, project management, and nuclear facility operations.

Mr. Miotla holds a Bachelor of Science degree in nuclear engineering from the State University of New York at Buffalo and a Master's of Business Administration from the University of Pittsburgh.

-DOE-09-003-