

June 3, 2008

CH2M Hill Companies, Ltd.
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Dear Sir or Madam:

Sometime in the next few weeks, the Project On Government Oversight (POGO) will update its Federal Contractor Misconduct Database (<http://www.contractormisconduct.org/>), a compilation of information from public resources regarding government contractors, including CH2M Hill. On October 18, 2005 and December 2, 2005, we sent CH2M Hill information regarding findings in POGO's database. As of today, we have not received a response from you. I have enclosed the findings relevant to your company, and I am seeking verification of this data.

Any response would be greatly appreciated, as the accuracy of this information is in the best interest of all parties. Out of fairness to CH2M Hill, please be assured that any response received by POGO will be posted on the website along with the data.

The biggest change we will be making to the database is the inclusion of more federal contractors (the top 100). We are also adding new instances that we have found in recent months and updating instances already in the database with new information. Please note that the database also includes pending instances, but these are kept separate from resolved instances and are not included in the totals.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at (202) 347-1122. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Neil Gordon
Investigator

Enclosure

Instances

1. DOE Enforcement Action (2005)

Date: 03/10/2005 (Date of PNOV)

Misconduct Type: Labor

Enforcement Agency: Energy

Contracting Party: Energy

Court Type: Administrative

Amount: \$316,250

Disposition: Fine

Synopsis: The Department of Energy's Office of Price-Anderson Enforcement at the Hanford Tank Farms issued a Preliminary Notice of Violation (PNOV) citing violations of CH2M Hill Hanford Group "involving four radiological and operational events occurring during 2003 and 2004. The events included (1) the June 2003 multiple personnel contamination event ...; (2) the November 2003 Technical Safety Requirement violation during a cross-site waste transfer; (3) the November 2003 valve positioning error during S-112 waste retrieval operations; and (4) the July 2004 extremity exposure during thermocouple removal activities."

2. DOE Enforcement Action (2003)

Date: 08/29/2003 (Date of PNOV)

Misconduct Type: Labor

Enforcement Agency: Energy

Contracting Party: Energy

Court Type: Administrative

Amount: \$82,500

Disposition: Fine

Synopsis: The Department of Energy's Office of Price-Anderson Enforcement at the Hanford Tank Farms issued a Preliminary Notice of Violation (PNOV) citing violations of CH2M Hill Hanford Group (CHG) involving "noncompliances in the areas of (1) quality improvement, for which compensatory and/or longer term corrective actions identified and implemented by CHG failed to correct known quality problems, (2) management and independent assessments which lacked both the frequency and depth of review that would be expected from an effective management or independent assessment program, (3) work processes which demonstrated numerous failures to follow established procedure, and (4) organizational behavior in which some CHG personnel demonstrated a profound inattention to detail, reluctance to report events, and attempts to conceal saltwell overfills."

3. Lewis v. CH2M Hill Hanford Group (Whistleblower Reprisal)

Date: 12/17/2003 (Date of Settlement)

Misconduct Type: Labor

Enforcement Agency: Labor

Contracting Party: Energy

Court Type: Civil

Amount: Undisclosed

Disposition: Settlement

Synopsis: Lloyd Stone and Steve Lewis each filed individual complaints with the Department of Labor alleging discrimination and a pattern of reprisal on the part of CH2M Hanford Group, Inc. in violation of the whistleblower protection provisions of various environmental laws. Prior to the scheduled trial date, the plaintiffs submitted their consolidated claim to a settlement judge at the Office of Administrative Law Judges, who facilitated a settlement in December 2003, the terms of which all parties agreed to keep confidential.

4. Quality Problems With Piping at Waste Facility

Date: 06/25/2000 (Date of Consent Order)

Misconduct Type: Labor

Enforcement Agency: Energy

Contracting Party: Energy

Court Type: Administrative

Amount: \$50,000

Disposition: Fine

Synopsis: On July 25, 2000 the Department of Energy issued a consent order incorporating an agreement with CH2M Hill Hanford Group, Inc. following an investigation that found quality problems with “the procurement of safety class piping for the W-314 Project at the Tank Farm Waste Remediation System...Workers identified deficiencies with piping welds when they removed piping from a container. The deficiencies could have resulted in significant consequences to the public and the environment.” Following an investigation by the company, the DOE concluded that further investigation was unnecessary and the company was taking adequate measures to address the issues. In lieu of any subsequent investigation, notice of violation and imposition of a civil penalty, CH2M agreed to remit a \$50,000 monetary remedy.

5. Violation of the Clean Water Act

Date: 01/01/2006 (Date of Agreement - approximate)

Misconduct Type: Environment

Enforcement Agency: Justice

Contracting Party: None

Court Type: Criminal

Amount: \$2,000,000

Disposition: Deferred Prosecution Agreement

Synopsis: In January 2006, a CH2M subsidiary “entered into a Deferred Prosecution Agreement (DPA) with the office of the United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut. The DPA relates to a previously disclosed investigation of a Clean Water Act (CWA) violation at [two] wastewater treatment facilities in Connecticut. Pursuant to the DPA, [the] subsidiary will contribute \$2.0 million to community projects and take other agreed upon steps to enhance CWA compliance procedures at the two wastewater treatment facilities in Connecticut...The violation related to failure to comply with sampling and reporting requirements of the CWA and there is no evidence the violation resulted in harm to human health or the environment.”