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Washington, DC 20585

September 29, 2025

MEMORANDUM FOR REINHARD M. KNERR

ACTING MANAGER

PORTSMOUTH/PADUCAH PROJECT OFFICE

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Date: 2025.09.29

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HEADQUARTERS CERTIFYING OFFICIAL

DIRECTOR

OFFICE OF PACKAGING AND TRANSPORTATION

SUBJECT: Issuance of Quality Assurance Program Approval Number 0046

Attached is Department of Energy (DOE) Quality Assurance Program (QAP) Approval Number 0046, Revision 0, for Mission Conversion Services Alliance, LLC (MCSA), in response to your request dated September 18, 2025. This approval is based on MCSA's contract commitment ("Blue Sheet" provision) to work under the outgoing contractor's approved 10 CFR Part 71, Subpart H, Quality Assurance Program, *Quality Assurance Project Plan for the Use of Type A(F)* and B Packaging (QAPP), FBP QA PL 00006, Revision 6, March 24, 2025, in support of activities at DOF Portsmouth and Paducah Sites.

This DOE QAP Approval satisfies DOE Order 460.1D, Hazardous Materials Packaging and Transportation Safety, and therefore complies with the provisions in 49 CFR 173.7(d) for DOE to maintain packaging standards equivalent to those specified in 10 CFR Part 71.

The expiration date of DOE Approval Number 0046, Revision 0, is July 31, 2030. If you wish to renew, revise, or terminate approval of QAP Approval 0046, please request this action in writing. Any revisions to FBP's QAPP, except for spelling corrections and nonsubstantive changes to punctuation or editorial items, must be submitted and approved by the DOE Packaging Certification Program prior to implementation of the proposed changes.

This approval memorandum also serves as a reminder that the Order requires that for offsite transportation each Departmental element that uses a Type B or fissile package certified by DOE must register with the DOE Certifying Official prior to first use of the package. Refer to the following URL for registration instructions: https://rampac.energy.gov/home/packagecertification-information/guidance/doe-guidance.

If you have any questions, please contact me or DOE Docket Manager Lawrence Gelder at (803) 645-3490.

Attachment: QAPA 0046, Rev. 0

cc: Ryan Callihan, PPPO

Christopher Cable, EM-4.24



U.S. Department of Energy QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM APPROVAL For Type B and Fissile Radioactive Material Packages

1. APPROVAL NUMBER **0046**

REVISION

Pursuant to DOE Order 460.1D, *Hazardous Materials Packaging and Transportation Safety*, subparagraph 4.a.(3), *Quality Assurance (QA)* directs that each Departmental element that participates in the use, design, purchase, fabrication, handling, shipping, storing, cleaning, assembly, inspection, testing, operation, maintenance, repair, and modification of Type B or fissile materials packaging must have and maintain a quality assurance (QA) program in accordance with 10 CFR Part 71, Subpart H that is approved by the NRC or the DOE Certifying Official, prior to the performance of those operations. The Contractors Requirements Document in Attachment 1 of Paragraph 5.a. of the Order imposes the same requirement on DOE contractors. Based on the reliance on statements and representations heretofore made in Block 5 by the organization named in Block 2, the Quality Assurance Program Description identified in Block 5 is hereby approved. This approval is issued to satisfy the requirements of the Order, 49 CFR 173.7.(d), and 10 CFR 71.101. This approval is subject to all applicable rules, regulations, and orders of the U.S. Department of Energy now or hereafter in effect and to any conditions specified below.

2. ORGANIZATION NAME
Mission Conversion Services Alliance, LLC (MCSA) – Operations and Site Mission Support Services contractor for Portsmouth and Paducah

STREET ADDRESS
1010 Monarch Street

CITY
Lexington

3. EXPIRATION DATE
July 31, 2030
4. DOCKET NUMBER

2025-002

QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM DESCRIPTION, REVISION, and DATE
 Quality Assurance Project Plan for the Use of Type A(F) and B Packaging, FBP-QA-PL-00006, Revision 6 (effective March 24, 2025).

6. CONDITIONS

- Activities conducted regarding Type B and fissile material transportation packagings are to be executed under applicable criteria of 10 CFR Part 71 Subpart H. Authorized activities include: design, procurement, fabrication, assembly, testing, modification, maintenance, repair and use of transportation packagings.
- 2. Records shall be maintained in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR Part 71. Specifically:
 - a. Records of each shipment of licensed material shall be maintained for 3 years after that shipment [10 CFR 71.91(a)].
 - Records providing evidence of packaging quality shall be maintained for 3 years after the life of the packaging [10 CFR 71.91(d)].
 - c. Records describing activities affecting packaging quality shall be maintained for 3 years after this Quality Assurance Program Approval is terminated [10 CFR 71.135].
- 3. Planned and periodic audits of all aspects of the Quality Assurance Program shall be conducted in accordance with written procedures or checklists, by appropriately trained personnel not having direct responsibility in the areas being audited, in accordance with 10 CFR 71.137.
- 4. In addition to the requirements of Subparts G and H of 10 CFR 71, and except as specified in Section 5(d), "Conditions," of applicable Certificates of Compliance, each package must be designed, fabricated, acceptance tested, operated, and maintained in accordance with applicable Safety Analysis Report for Packaging requirements; specifically, Chapter 7, "Operating Procedures," Chapter 8, "Acceptance Tests and Maintenance Program," and Chapter 9, "Quality Assurance."

FOR THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY	
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