

**HS-64 Site Activity Report - Rev. 0**

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**Site:** Pantex Plant**Subject:** Office of Independent Oversight's Office of Environment, Safety and Health Evaluations Activity Report for the Biennial Review of the Pantex Site Office**Dates of Activity (02/28/2011 - 03/08/2011)****Report Preparer**

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**Activity Description/Purpose:**

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Independent Oversight, within the Office of Health, Safety and Security (HSS), visited the Department of Energy Pantex Site Office (PXSO) and the Pantex Plant in Amarillo, Texas, from February 28 – March 8, 2011. The purpose of the visit was to participate in the biennial review of PXSO by the Office of the Chief of Defense Nuclear Safety (CDNS).

**Result:**

HSS personnel participated in the CDNS biennial review as members of the review team and were responsible for reviewing the Integrated Safety Management System functional areas PXSO's Functions, Responsibilities, and Authorities Manual and contract management. HSS personnel concluded that PXSO's Integrated Safety Management System implementation meets expectations.

The overall review examined the performance of PXSO in providing nuclear safety oversight at the Pantex Plant in approximately 16 functional areas. The review identified 8 findings, 12 weaknesses, 29 opportunities for improvement and 6 noteworthy practices. These issues will be fully documented in a final report to be presented by CDNS to the National Nuclear Security Administration Administrator and transmitted to the PXSO Manager. PXSO will then develop a Corrective Action Plan and monitor the status of these issues to resolution in the ePegasus tracking system.

While working as part of the review team, HSS independently observed that the CDNS biennial review provides credible, objective, value added information on the status of PXSO nuclear safety oversight and implementation of nuclear safety requirements, in accordance with National Nuclear Security Administration Manual NA-1 SD 226.1-1, *Headquarters Biennial Review of Nuclear Safety Performance Manual*. The review objective was met.

**HSS Participants****References**

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Were there any items for HSS follow up?  Yes  No**HSS Follow Up Items**