

DOE issues request for cleanup

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Staff report

The U.S. Department of Energy has issued a draft request for proposals for deactivation and remediation services at the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant “for a potential 10-year contract period” a move community officials have long been advocating.

The current deactivation and remediation services contract at the site is held by Fluor Federal Services and expires July 21, 2017.

Fluor was awarded a three-year contract when the site was returned to DOE control in 2014. Local officials have been stressing the need for a longer contract period to maintain funding and employment levels at the plant, which is a major economic driver for the area.

According to DOE's announcement Thursday, the total prospective performance period is 10 years, including option periods. The draft RFP is designed to provide for open competition on the continuing work at the site and assist the DOE in developing a final RFP.

Deactivation and remediation services cover a wide range of activities, including project management support, stabilization and deactivation, on-site waste disposal facility design, surveillance and maintenance, utilities operation, and environmental.