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Savannah River Operations Office Honors Federal Manager of the Year

AIKEN, S.C. - Department of Energy Savannah River Operations Office recently selected John (J.J.) Hynes as the 2012 John B. Whitsett Memorial Manager of the Year. He is the Deputy Assistant Manager of the Nuclear Material Stabilization Project that manages various nuclear materials at the Savannah River Site.

The John B. Whitsett Memorial Award annually honors a federal manager who demonstrates superior leadership qualities throughout the year. The late John B. Whitsett was noted for his inspirational leadership style and vision and was a former manager at the Savannah River Operations Office and the Rocky Flats Project in Colorado.

- "J.J. Hynes technical and business management technique is a testament to his well-respected leadership qualities and relentless pursuit to do the "right thing," said Pat McGuire, Assistant Manager, Nuclear Materials Stabilization Project.
- J. J. Hynes has more than 30 years of Federal service. He began his Federal employment with the Department of Navy in 1982 as a Chief Refueling Engineer at the Charleston Naval Shipyard, Charleston, South Carolina. In 1991, he joined Department of Energy, Savannah River Site as a facility engineer overseeing production reactor operations. He moved on to manage the chemical separations facilities and fuel materials operation that included supporting NASA's deep-space exploration program, *The Cassini Mission*.

As Deputy Assistant Manager, Nuclear Material Stabilization Project, he developed several programs to improve engineering and safety systems in F-Area facility projects.

J.J. holds a Bachelor's of Science in Biology, with a concentration in Health Physics from Virginia Tech. He is a certified pool operator and in his spare time maintains the Petersburg Racquet Club pool, Evans, Georgia. His other interests include working on cars and home improvement projects.

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