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**LATA/Parallax Portsmouth Completes Demolition of Two Additional
Inactive, Surplus Facilities at Piketon Plant**

Work Begins to Dismantle Five More Facilities by early June

PIKETON, OH (April 21, 2006) – LATA/Parallax Portsmouth has completed the demolition of two additional inactive, surplus facilities at the Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant in Piketon, Ohio, making a total of five inactive facilities removed since late February. The company, contracted by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to complete the environmental remediation work, has begun dismantling five more facilities scheduled to be finished by late May or early June.

The latest facilities to be demolished are the X-106B Old Fire Training Building and the X-616 Liquid Effluent Control Facility. All the facilities had been inactive for a number of years and were no longer needed at the site.

“Our workers are doing a tremendous job in removing these old facilities safely and expeditiously,” said Paul Kreitz, LATA/Parallax’s project manager. “CDM, one of our major teaming partners, has been instrumental in dismantling several of these facilities. These efforts speak highly of the dedicated team we have assembled to ensure that our DOE requirements are not only met but exceeded.”

The Old Fire Training Building was a 2,400 ft² corrugated metal structure built in 1967 and used until 1987 for fire training exercises, pumper testing and occasional storage. The Fire Training Building demolition was completed by CDM on March 16, 2006 and waste debris has been shipped to an off-site disposal facility.

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The X-106B Old Fire Training Building was demolished at the Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant in March 2006.

The Liquid Effluent Control Facility was constructed in 1976 to treat Recirculating Cooling Water blowdown from the plant's process cooling system. The facility functioned to reduce a chromium-based rust inhibitor in the cooling water piping by adding sulfur dioxide. The chromium hydroxide sludge was precipitated in a clarifier by pH adjustment with lime and a polymer coagulant. The facility was approximately 2,500 ft² and included five above-grade tanks (two 460,000 gallon clarifiers, two pH adjustment tanks, one neutralization tank), three below-grade tanks, and a small pumphouse. The facility was shut down in 1993. Demolition of the Liquid Effluent Control Facility was completed by CDM in mid-April and all waste debris is being containerized for shipment to an off-site disposal facility.

Demolition of the X-616 Liquid Effluent Control Facility started April 4 and was completed by mid-April 2006.



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Pictured at left is the X-616 Liquid Effluent Control Facility nearing completion of demolition activities.

LATA/Parallax Portsmouth is preparing to dismantle five more inactive facilities at the plant site. Work began this week on the X-615 Old Sewage Treatment Plant. The Old Sewage Treatment Plant was constructed in the 1954-1955 time frame and encompassed 6,300 ft². The facility treated the plant sewage using an anaerobic digester process with clarifiers, filters, and sludge drying beds and operated until 1982, when it was deactivated following construction of a new sewage treatment plant. CDM is scheduled to complete the demolition of the X-615 facility by May 5, 2006.



Demolition of the Old Sewage Treatment Plant at the Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant began on April 19, 2006 and is expected to be completed by early May.

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Other facilities scheduled to be removed over the next month are the X-342C Neutralization Pit, which was built in 1954 and used to neutralize process effluents from the product sampling and shipping facilities complex; and the X-344C Hydrogen Fluoride Storage Building, the X-344E Gas Ventilation Stack and the X-344F Safety Building, all constructed in 1958 to serve as support systems in the former gaseous diffusion operations. Demolition activities for all these facilities are to be finished by early June.

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About LATA/Parallax Portsmouth

LATA/Parallax Portsmouth, LLC performs environmental remediation services, including groundwater cleanup and waste management activities, under contract to the U.S. Department of Energy at the Portsmouth site. The LATA/Parallax Portsmouth contract is through September 2009.
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