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New Umatilla Chemical Depot public affairs officer named

UMATILLA CHEMICAL DEPOT, Hermiston, Ore. – Bruce Henrickson has been named public affairs officer for the U.S. Army Chemical Materials Agency (CMA) at the Umatilla Chemical Depot (UMCD). He will lead media relations, public outreach and communications team efforts for the depot and the Umatilla Chemical Agent Disposal facility (UMCDF). He is replacing Mary Binder in that position.

Henrickson previously served as a communications manager with URS Coleman, a federal contractor at CMA headquarters in Edgewood, Md. URS Coleman is responsible for community outreach offices at five chemical weapons disposal sites across the country. As headquarters public affairs support team lead for the four CMA sites that utilize incineration technology, Henrickson worked on public outreach and communications for Anniston, Ala.; Pine Bluff, Ark.; Tooele, Utah; and the Umatilla Chemical Depot in Hermiston, Ore.

Prior to URS Coleman, Henrickson worked in broadcasting, public affairs and communications management positions in both public and private sectors. He is a U.S. Air Force veteran with munitions handling experience. He was born in Eugene, Ore. He attended Oregon State University and the University of Oregon prior to joining the military, and earned his bachelor of arts degree from the University of Colorado, majoring in English.

“We’re glad to have an experienced CMA veteran join the Umatilla team,” said Don Barclay, UMCDF site project manager. “He clearly understands community needs and the complexities of our mission.”

“Bruce has hit the ground running, and his years of experience are already proving to be valuable,” said Lt. Col. Donna Rutten, UMCD commander. “Continuing our commitment to communicate with our work force, surrounding communities, the media and all our stakeholders remains a top priority. I know Bruce shares this commitment.”

“It’s great to be coming home to the Pacific Northwest,” Henrickson said. “It’s even better to join the highly dedicated work force at Umatilla to help create a safer tomorrow for people in the Columbia River basin. I look forward to working with this great team.”

Henrickson enjoys camping, hiking, golf and outdoor activities. His wife, Diane Reed, is an avid outdoors enthusiast, writer and publisher.

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