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# AFCEE Technology Transfer Program Update



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## **AFCEE Technical Directorate**





- Use technology <u>demonstration & deployment</u> versus R&D
  - Leave R&D to industry, other agencies
  - AFCEE dem/val's COTS or GOTS technologies under field conditions – to achieve site closure
  - "Technology" refers to <u>new equipment</u> or <u>new processes</u> that streamline cleanup operations
  - Move from high-cost active system technologies to low-cost <u>passive</u> system technologies
  - No vested interests other than save \$ and close sites



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#### AFCEE Environmental Technology Transfer Process





#### AFCEE Technology Transfer – Return on Investment

Technology (# sites)	Savings	ROI
Bioremediation / Bioventing (176)	\$54.0M	5:1
Natural Attenuation (45)	\$525M	45:1
Internal Combustion Engine (6)	\$3.5M	2:1
■ Bioslurper (33)	\$15.5M	6:1
Risk-Based Site Closure (22)	\$10.1M	5:1
Diffusion Samplers (18)	\$2.4M	8:1
Remedial Process Optimization (AF-wide)	\$120M	12:1
Phytotechnologies (8)	\$7M	6:1
Total Savings - \$738M		

Site Closures - 165

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AVG ROI - 11:1

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#### Enhanced In Situ Bioremediation – Biowalls

- Enhanced In Situ Bioremediation (EISB) Biowalls
- Significant taxpayer savings when compared to existing technologies
- Requires minimal maintenance; can treat TCE plumes at fraction of cost of pump-and-treat
- Construction costs typically 1/3 of construction costs of permeable zero-valent walls
- Uses simple organic materials, often free (e.g., tree mulch, agriculture waste products)
- Nine biowalls installed to date
  - Altus, Offutt, Dover, Ellsworth, FE Warren, NAS Ft Worth JRB, Whiteman
- Longest biowall installed to date is Altus AFB at 5,200+ linear ft
  - \$30M avoidance
- ✓ AFCEE "how-to manual" due out December 2006









#### **Program Status** Optimization Potential





### Remedial Action-Operations & Long Term Monitoring Consolidation

- Long Term Monitoring
  - \$24.8M in FY05
- Remedial System O&M
  - \$51.8M in FY05
  - Pump-and-Treat Systems
    - \$25.6M alone
    - Longest expected operating lifetime (i.e., 27 yrs)
- Regional RA-O/LTM Consolidation
  - Region 4
    - Greatest MAJCOM participation
    - FY07 Performance Based Contract
  - Regions 1, 2, 3 & 5 in FY08





#### P2 Technology Support for the Weapon Systems

- \$5M weapon system pollution prevention (P2) program
  - Environmentally Advantaged Radar Absorbing Material
    - Two materials currently undergoing full scale tests on F-16 demonstrate 70% & 30% reduction in application time; quicker return to the field
  - Low Temperature Cure Powder Coating
    - Joint Air Force/Navy project to gain the advantage of low-VOC powder coatings for non-flight critical composite aircraft parts; will reduce over 10,000 lbs of VOCs, plus over \$300K in labor/materials
  - Environmentally Advantaged (LBOD) Aircraft Deicing Fluids (ADF)
    - Demonstrations on KC-135 aircraft prove the effectiveness of the non-toxic, biodegradable, non-corrosive, cost-effective, drop-in substitute for the propylene glycol (PG) based deicing fluids
- AFCEE's partnership with the weapon system environmental community improves the process to transition P2 technologies to the war fighter

