

2010  
U.S. Department of Energy  
Aviation Management Awards

The Headquarters DOE Office of Aviation Management (OAM) has announced that the Bonneville Aircraft Services (BAS) organization, Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), has won the 2010 U.S. Department of Energy Jeff Snow Aviation Program Memorial Award. This marks the first time the BPA team has been recognized as the most outstanding DOE aviation program. During calendar year 2010, the BAS team provided transmission-line patrol, emergency flight support, aerial surveys and photography, training and maintenance flights, and routine passenger transportation missions. These aviation missions not only guaranteed the success of the BPA mission, but saved the agency nearly 4,000 productive work hours and 26,000 non-business hours away from home, valued at nearly a quarter of a million dollars.

Mr. William “Doug” Barrick, Aviation Safety Manager, Nevada Site Office, National Nuclear Security Administration, won the 2010 DOE Aviation Management Federal Professional Award. In his nomination, NSO officials praised Mr. Barrick for applying his experience as a former FAA inspector, combined with his skills as a DOE Aviation Safety Officer, to support the NSO Aviation Program in the design and manufacture of required modifications to their aircraft safely and efficiently. He is the most outstanding DOE Federal Aviation Management Professional of 2010.

Mr. Thomas McKissack, the Chief Pilot, National Security Technologies<sup>LLC</sup> (NSTec), Nevada Site Office, National Nuclear Security Administration, won the 2010 John Cooley Aviation Operations/Support Professional Memorial Award. During calendar year 2010, Mr. McKissack’s leadership directly contributed to the 100% compliance rating awarded to NSO/NSTec by the HQ DOE OAM audit team, confirming their flawless aviation support for the NNSA mission to provide Emergency Response assets to protect U.S. citizens from the effects of radiological events.

Mr. Timothy J. Rourke, the Chief of Aviation Safety, National Security Technologies<sup>LLC</sup> (NSTec), Nevada Site Office, National Nuclear Security Administration, won the inaugural presentation of the U.S. DOE Aviation Safety Professional Award. During calendar year 2010, Mr. Rourke’s systematic approach to risk management enabled senior NSO/NSTec managers to assess the hazards of very low-level flying over congested areas, establish controls to mitigate those hazards, and to approve missions over the nation’s capitol to evaluate new technical equipment for radiation detection. Tim is the most outstanding DOE field-level employee whose primary duties supported the safety, and effectiveness of a Federal flight program.

The Department of Energy nominated the BPA team, Mr. Barrick, Mr. McKissack, and Mr. Rourke, in their respective categories for the 2010 GSA Federal Aviation Awards. GSA will honor the winners of these Government-wide aviation awards at the FedFleet Workshop in Orlando, Florida, from July 25-28, 2011.