

**National Nuclear Security Administration  
Fact Sheet**

**Preliminary Notice of Violation: Worker Safety and Health Violations at  
Los Alamos National Laboratory, Technical Area 14**

On May 27, 2015, the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) issued a Preliminary Notice of Violation (PNOV) to Los Alamos National Security, LLC (LANS) for violations of Department of Energy (DOE) worker safety and health program requirements. LANS is the management and operating contractor for NNSA's Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL), located in Los Alamos, New Mexico.

The PNOV cites LANS for violations related to an event in which five workers were exposed to chlorine at LANL, Technical Area 14. Violations are related to hazard identification, assessment, prevention and abatement; and management responsibilities.

NNSA grouped and categorized the violations as two Severity Level I violations and referenced a Fiscal Year 2014 contract fee action for related issues in lieu of imposing a civil penalty.. LANS is implementing a corrective action plan that addresses the violations cited in the PNOV.

Section 234C of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, authorizes DOE to take regulatory actions under 10 C.F.R. Part 851 against DOE contractors for violations of DOE worker safety and health requirements. DOE's enforcement program encourages Department contractors to identify and correct worker safety and health deficiencies at an early stage, before they contribute to or result in more serious events.

Additional details on this and other enforcement actions are available at:  
<http://www.energy.gov/ea/listings/enforcement-documents>