

United States
Department of Energy

Federal Project Director of the Year for 2009

Presented to:

Mr. Hanley Lee

For demonstrating exceptional leadership and project management acumen in completing the Linac Coherent Light Source (LCLS) project at the SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory, within the approved cost and schedule performance baseline. The LCLS is a state-of-the-art facility that delivers the world's first x-ray Free Electron Laser operating in the 1.5 to 15 Ångstrom range. The LCLS provides laser-like radiation in the x-ray region of the spectrum that is 10 billion times greater in peak brightness than any previous synchrotron light source. Mr. Lee was officially designated as the Federal Project Director (FPD) in 2001 and under his leadership all milestones and deliverables were accomplished on schedule and within budget. These successes were achieved through implementation of clear performance objectives, tied to measurable deliverables and cost and schedule performance. Mr. Lee worked collaboratively with the project team to identify and manage challenges, share and evaluate performance data, and maintain a focus on project success. His superior performance was validated in October 2009 when LCLS achieved all CD-4 key technical performance parameters enabling Users to conduct their first experiments with the LCLS while construction on the remainder of the facility continued.

Steven Chu
Secretary of Energy

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