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Washington Group Announces Appointments Within Westinghouse Government Environmental Services Company LLC and Westinghouse Government Services Company LLC

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BOISE, Idaho--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Nov. 13, 2000--E. Preston Rahe, Jr., a veteran of three decades in the nuclear-services industry, has been named president of Washington Group International's (NYSE:[WNG](#) - [news](#)) Westinghouse Environmental Services Co. LLC (WGES) and will oversee a reorganization of the unit's plutonium and radioactive waste services.

Ambrose L. Schwallie, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Washington Group Government, announced the appointment and said Rahe will be responsible for achieving expansion, synergy and efficiency in WGES, a unit of Washington Government Services.

``Preston Rahe is a proven manager with considerable experience in engineering, safety analysis, and nuclear and environmental regulatory activities," said Schwallie. ``He will focus on expanding the business unit's extensive plutonium and transuranic waste operations."

Rahe previously served as president of Westinghouse Safety Management Solutions LLC (WSMS), a Washington Government subsidiary that he helped found. Under Rahe's leadership, WSMS grew from 150 employees in 1997 to more than 600 today.

``One of our goals," said Schwallie, ``is to create the only company capable of integrating the requirements and duties of sites that ship radioactive material with the requirements and duties of sites that receive the material."

Schwallie and Rahe also announced the following appointments within WGES:

- Richard D. Raaz to president of Safe Sites of Colorado LLC (SSOC). Raaz was formerly SSOC's vice president of production integration.
- John G. McKibbin to vice president of TRU operations services for WGES. He was formerly the executive director of operations for WSMS.

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- Paul C. Harper to vice president and chief financial officer of WGES. He also retains these positions for WSMS.
- Michael C. Cowmen to vice president of western service operations for WGES. He was formerly director of western operations of WSMS.
- Schwallie also announced that Leo H. Sain has been elected president of Westinghouse Safety Management Solutions LLC. Sain was previously its executive vice president.

Raaz, McKibbin, Harper and Cowen will report to Rahe along with Robert R. Campbell, president of West Valley Nuclear Services Company; Charles E. Conway, general manager of the Government Technical Services Division; and Henry F. Herrera, president of Westinghouse TRU Solutions LLC.

Washington Group-led TRU Solutions LLC is participating in reopened procurement discussions with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to manage and operate the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) near Carlsbad, New Mexico. As previously announced by the DOE and Washington Group on October 12, 2000, the \$500 million contract had previously been awarded to TRU Solutions. The DOE subsequently announced it had rescinded the award, and had requested ``final revised proposals" from TRU Solutions and one other competitor.

``We are cooperating fully with the DOE," said Schwallie. ``We have an excellent proposal, good people and have performed solidly at WIPP since the early 1980s." TRU Solutions is a joint venture of Washington Group's Westinghouse Governmental Services unit (88%) and Roy F. Weston (12%).

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