

to manage U.K. nuclear waste “safely and securely for generations to come.”

**Nuclear Waste Solutions**, a joint venture of **React Engineering** and **Shepley Engineers Limited**, announced in January that it has won a place on the four-year framework contract worth £7 million (about \$9.5 million) with the Low Level Waste Repository Limited (LLWR). According to the company, the expert support and alternative treatment framework contract will provide LLWR and waste generators throughout the United Kingdom with a flexible, highly capable, efficient, and client-focused service offering.

## Kudos

**Petersen Inc.** has been awarded a **2020–2021 Supply Chain Excellence Award** by Bechtel for its contributions to the Department of Energy’s Hanford Vit Plant (Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant) project. Companies were evaluated on multiple factors, including overall performance, ability to deliver quality services, and meeting or exceeding expectations of safety, performance, technical expertise, and environmental compliance. For the Vit project, Petersen built two 300-ton melters that will process a portion of the 56 million gallons of radioactive and chemical waste generated during the Manhattan Project and the Cold War. Designing and manufacturing the two melters included 1,200 engineering drawings, and fabrication took nearly three years to complete. A third melter is in fabrication as a spare. Petersen is currently manufacturing the stainless steel containers used to dispose of the waste.

**Orano TLI** was recognized in 2021 by U.S. regulators for “Excellence” in error-free reporting and tracking using the Nuclear Materials Management and Safeguards System, the government’s digital system used to track movements, uses, and inventories of U.S. nuclear materials. During 2020,

Orano TLI said it securely managed and handled more than 300 international and domestic transactions of nuclear materials, including several new and complicated shipments, without any reporting or tracking errors and in full compliance with regulatory standards. ☒



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