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## Bechtel National, Inc. Resolves Civil Lawsuit Related to Hanford Waste Treatment Plant Project

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### **RESTON, Virginia - November 23, 2016**

Bechtel National, Inc. today announced it has reached a settlement with the Department of Justice that resolves civil allegations related to work at the Hanford Waste Treatment Plant project (<http://www.exchangemonitor.com/long-form-stories/the-hanford-waste-treatment-plant-a-21st-century-solution-to-a-70-year-old-problem/>) (WTP) in Washington state. Bechtel National, Inc. will pay \$67.5 million under the settlement agreement.

“We have performed our work at the WTP project ethically and professionally,” said Fred deSousa, Bechtel National, Inc. manager of Public Affairs. “Bechtel National, Inc. expressly denies the allegations, which relate to events that happened some years ago.

“A protracted legal proceeding and the distraction of a trial are not in the best interest of the WTP project. Instead, we will focus on continuing to work in collaboration with the Department of Energy to solve the most challenging and complex radioactive waste problem in U.S. history.

“We are proud of the thousands of hard-working employees on the WTP project who have dedicated themselves to helping the Department of Energy achieve its mission of building a Waste Treatment Plant that will safely process Hanford’s tank waste.”

Under the settlement agreement Bechtel National, Inc. admits no wrongdoing in the matter.

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Bechtel National, Inc. (BNI), is a leading engineering, procurement, construction, and project management contractor for the U.S. government. BNI's successes include many large, first-of-a-kind signature projects in management of federally owned sites, environmental restoration, defense, space, energy, as well as national and homeland security. BNI is a member of the Bechtel group of companies.

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