

News & views about working at LLNL & LANL Labs

[The University of California \(UC\) continues its reign in running the Los Alamos National Laboratory \(LANL\)](#). The announcement was finally made on Friday, June 8, 2018, by the Department of Energy (DOE) and the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) that UC will continue to manage the lab since it was founded in 1943.

[UPTE's 6/15/2018 Press Release](#): UPTE applauds the new LANL contract that supports research, development and employees not profits. UPTE offers to work with Triad to improve safety and urges them to adopt two structural reforms. By persuading the decision makers in Washington to reform the bidding criteria, the union leadership at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory and Los Alamos National Laboratory successfully advocated that the bids emphasize science and worker safety. The proposed 1% fixed fee, rather than a higher and variable performance bonus, sets a promising precedent for a safer operating contract for LANL and LLNL. A low fixed fee also increases the support for innovative science by reducing profit margins.

Who's who: [The new partnership at LANL](#).

Profit vs. Nonprofit: [What is Triad National Security's tax structure?](#) Tax status hasn't yet been decided by the state of New Mexico. Whether or not New Mexico exempts the company from New Mexico state taxes, the new contract will produce less income for the company, leaving more for actual operation of LANL. The National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) cut the performance fee from 3% for the current for-profit operating company, LANS (Los Alamos National Security), down to 1% for the new non-profit operating company, Triad.

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