

News & views about working at LLNL & LANL Labs

LANL Management Contract Bidding

The National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) hosted a site visit and one-on-one meetings at Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) for potential offerors ([NNSA's list of interested parties](#)) on August 29th through September 1, 2017. The intent of the meetings were to exchange information prior to the release of the final request for proposal (RFP). NNSA released the questions and answers from the [first set of Q&As](#), [second set of Q&As](#), and the [third set of Q&As](#). On September 12, 2017 UPTe Lab Leadership met with three Procurement Executives from the Department of Energy (DOE)/National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) to discuss the final LANL RFP. [Click here to see our comments dated July 24, 2017.](#)

The "Stop Offshoring Abuse" Bill Passes

AB 848 was signed into law by Governor Jerry Brown at 11:54 on Sunday, October 15, 2017. This bill stops the offshoring of University of California (UC) and California State University (CSU) jobs. The bill states that UC and CSU can contract services if the contractor certifies that the work will be performed with workers within the United States, or identify which work is offshored. UC and CSU may not displace any employees doing the same work if the work is offshored. The law also states that UC and CSU cannot train contract employees located in foreign countries, or train contract employees that plan to relocate to a foreign country as part of the contract. UPTe prompted this bill and lobbied hard for its passage. Click here to view UPTe's Press Release: <http://deprivatizethelabs.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/10/AB848PressRel2017.pdf>

Click below to view the entire bill:

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB848

LLNL Safety Incident

Recently a Skilled Trades member nearly lost a finger in a workplace injury. An UPTe investigation took place in parallel with the official Lab investigation, and both concluded that the employee was not at fault. UPTe's investigation uncovered some shortcomings in training and supervision which are still being worked with management. UPTe brought this to the attention of the Lab director in a letter.

If you have information of other safety incidents please contact us at info@upte-cwa.org



UPTe has future plans to blog about current happenings at both Labs to keep you informed. If you are interested in joining our efforts with the blog, please contact us info@upte-cwa.org.

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