

## Fact Sheet

### **Preliminary Notice of Violation: Classified Information Security Event at LANL**

On May 27, 2015 the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) issued a Preliminary Notice of Violation (PNOV) to Los Alamos National Security, LLC (LANS) for violations of Department of Energy (DOE) classified information security program requirements. LANS is the management and operating contractor for NNSA's Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL), located in Los Alamos, New Mexico.

The PNOV cites three violations of Departmental classified information security requirements related to a security event in which LANS lost control of classified matter. Violations are related to security incident inquiries, control of classified matter, and self-assessments.

NNSA cited two Severity Level I violations and one Severity Level II violation with a total proposed civil penalty of \$247,500 in consideration of mitigating factors, as well as the security significance of the classified matter determined to be lost.

The Atomic Energy Act of 1954 section 234B authorizes the Energy Department to take regulatory actions under 10 C.F.R. Part 824, *Procedural Rules for the Assessment of Civil Penalties for Classified Information Security Violations*, against DOE contractors for violations of classified information security requirements. DOE's enforcement program encourages Departmental contractors to identify and correct classified information security deficiencies at an early stage, before they contribute to, or result in more serious events.

Additional details on this and other enforcement actions are available on the DOE website at <http://www.energy.gov/ea/services/enforcement/notices-violation>.