United States Department of Energy

Secretary's Award of Excellence

Presented to

The Office of Science's Building 51 and Bevatron Demolition Project

The Bevatron Demolition Project successfully accomplished DOE's first-ever deactivation and demolition (D&D) of a large-scale particle accelerator. The Bevatron facility was shut down in 1993 after operating 39 years in support of high-energy and heavy-ion physics research, discovering the anti-proton, and contributing to four Nobel Prizes. The project team safely and effectively accomplished D&D and disposal of the Bevatron accelerator and its supporting structures—approximately 30,000 tons of radiological activated material. Careful planning, management, and attention to lessons learned and risks allowed the project team to deliver the project scope on schedule and under budget. In addition, the team created the largest building site at LBNL for future use. The project team is to be commended for their excellent performance.

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