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## WCS Awarded Transportation, Treatment and Disposal Contract

Dallas, Texas (April 29, 2014) – Rodney A. Baltzer, President of Waste Control Specialists LLC ("WCS"), announced today that WCS has been awarded a low-level radioactive waste ("LLRW") transportation, treatment and disposal contract from URS Energy and Construction, Inc. ("URS"). The contract is for LLRW from the inactive Separations Process Research Unit ("SPRU") at the Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory in Niskayuna, New York. URS is the prime contractor for the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") at SPRU and is responsible for deactivation, demolition and disposition of certain SPRU nuclear facilities.

WCS was selected based on a best value award for the disposition of the waste, most of which is expected to be Class A LLRW.

"We are excited to support URS on this project. WCS has the broadest range of disposal capabilities in the industry. Our business approach is to provide the customer with maximum flexibility at the lowest project risk and cost. We expect to focus on these same objectives for large scale decommissioning projects in the future," said Mr. Baltzer.

## About the WCS Facility

The WCS facility in western Andrews County is the only commercial facility in the U.S. licensed to dispose of Class A, B and C LLRW and Mixed LLRW and is the site for the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact facility for commercial LLRW and the Federal Waste Facility for waste from DOE. WCS has contracts in place with most of the nuclear power plants in the U.S. and a nationwide contract with DOE that can be used by DOE or its contractors.

The state of Texas takes title to any waste disposed in the Compact Waste Facility and DOE takes title to any waste disposed in the Federal Waste Facility.

Situated in an arid and isolated location, the WCS facility sits atop a formation of 600 feet of impermeable red-bed clay which makes it an ideal setting for the storage and disposal of LLRW. The state of Texas has determined the WCS facility does not sit above or adjacent to any underground drinking water formations.

WCS is a subsidiary of Valhi, Inc. (NYSE: VHI). Valhi, Inc. ("Valhi") is engaged in the titanium dioxide pigments, component products (security products and recreational marine components) and waste management industries.

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