

National Nuclear Security Administration Fact Sheet

Preliminary Notice of Violation: Worker Safety and Health Violations at Nevada National Security Sites

On October 17, 2025, the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) issued a Preliminary Notice of Violation (PNOV) to Mission Support and Test Services, LLC (MSTS) for violations of Department of Energy worker safety and health requirements. MSTS is the management and operating contractor to the DOE's NNSA Nevada National Security Sites (NNSS).

The violations are associated with two ground fall events at NNSS on June 29, 2023, and August 22, 2023. The PNOV cites failures to comply with worker safety and health requirements established at 10 C.F.R. Part 851, *Worker Safety and Health Program*.

NNSA identified two Severity Level I violations in the areas of: (1) management responsibilities and training and information, and; (2) hazard identification and assessment, hazard prevention and abatement, and safety and health standards.

The NNSA Nevada Field Office imposed a contract fee reduction of \$160,000 for the worker safety and health violations associated with this event.

Section 234C of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, authorizes DOE/NNSA to take regulatory actions under 10 C.F.R. Part 851 against DOE/NNSA contractors for violations of worker safety and health requirements. DOE's enforcement program encourages contractors to identify and correct worker safety and health program deficiencies at an early stage, before they contribute to, or result in more serious safety and health events.

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