

Meet

Jerome

Procuring and Ensuring Safety

For Jerome, many of the positions he's held have heralded safety as a top priority. However, his position at Savannah River Remediation (SRR) has changed the way he looks at safety culture within his own life.

As manager of SRR's Subcontract Management Program, Jerome helps bridge the gap amongst Subcontract Technical Representatives (STR's), End-Users, Subcontractors, Subcontracted Workers, and Buyers. An essential component of his job involves ensuring workers' commitment to safety both in and out of the field so that SRR reaches mission milestones.

"Not only do I surveil and monitor subcontractor safety," Jerome says, "But as a manager, I have to lead by example by being even more safety conscious in my own life. I am now more mindful of simple things that I previously overlooked."

Jerome said he has come full circle after working in procurement positions throughout his career in the U.S. Air Force until his latest role as Oak Ridge National Laboratory Procurement Director, where he was responsible for the award of goods and service contracts valued at over \$500 million annually.

"I'm unique in that my experiences at SRR now allow me to fully understand the perspective of STR, End-User, Subcontractor, and the Buyer, and thus communicate and enforce the safety culture to the benefit all of the parties."

As a U.S. Air Force veteran, Jerome understands the importance of SRR's mission in supporting the nation's effort to clean up nuclear waste to ensure a safer future.

What I love most about my job is the people. Working at SRR has allowed me to have more tangible interaction with workers in the field, thus enabling me to fully ensure the safe execution of our mission as a member of the Supply Chain Management Team.

AT A GLANCE

- 30+ years of progressive experience in Contract Management
- Has worked at SRR since 2014
- Served in the U.S. Air Force from 1983 until 1990 as a Contract Administrator & Contracting Officer
- Bachelor of Science, Industrial Technology, University of Southern Maine, 1987
- Associate of Arts Degree, Contract Management, Community College of the U. S. Air Force, 1986
- U. S. Air Force Pricing Achievement Award, 1987
- Small Business Advocate of the Year Award, 2011
- DOE - M&O Procurement Director of the Year Nominee 2012 & 2013