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User Facility Synergy

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Outline of Presentation

- Synergy within Argonne among the DOE/BES User Facilities (APS, CNM, EMC, and IPNS)
 - Administrative
 - Scientific
- Among Federally Funded National Laboratories
 - Administrative
 - User Organizations

At Argonne: Administrative Synergy

Goal: Minimize “hoops” for multi-facility user access

- Central User Facility (CUF) registration system in place
 - Accessible from each facility’s home page and Argonne home page
 - Central database used by four DOE/BES user facilities (managed by Linda Carlson, APS User Office)

- User Agreements
 - On-going effort to create a uniform User Agreement for all user facilities at Argonne (separate appendixes for facilities as needed)
 - Initial draft expected from Argonne Legal this week

- Training
 - Laboratory working group in place (ESH-TR, CIS, HR, APS, CNM)
 - Goal: develop a mechanism for remote training that includes all core courses needed by users (specifically tailored for users)
 - Initial Web site expected to be in place by September 2007

At Argonne: Scientific Synergy

- 2007 Users Week (APS, CNM, EMC, IPNS)
 - Joint workshops, plenary talks, joint poster sessions
- Talks from other facility staff at APS monthly ops meeting
- Plans to develop a single proposal “front door” for users who want time at more than one Argonne facility for their research
 - Plan to be finalized by end of this fiscal year
 - Full implementation expected by the end of FY09

Outside of Argonne: Synergy Among DOE Lab User Facilities

- Administrative interactions among four DOE/BES light sources
 - Some training reciprocity
 - Considerable sharing of information
 - Non-US citizen access (*somewhat*) facilitated by approval elsewhere
 - Much is left to do—challenges ahead!

- User Organization interactions (a success story in progress)
 - Initially among the four light sources, then among light sources and neutron facilities