Ken Rueter

President and Chief Executive Officer



Education

Bachelor of ScienceChemical Engineering
Cleveland State University

Executive Management Program Moore School of Business University of South Carolina

Previous Positions

President and Project Manager Savannah River Remediation LLC Savannah River Site Aiken, South Carolina

Chief Operating Officer UCOR Oak Ridge, Tennessee

Chief Operating Officer
Washington River Protection Solutions
Hanford Site

Richland, Washington

Director, Project IntegrationWashington River Protection Solutions
Hanford Site
Richland, Washington

Ken Rueter is President and Chief Executive Officer of UCOR, the Department of Energy's (DOE) environmental cleanup prime contractor for the Oak Ridge Reservation. Having successfully led the \$4.2 billion East Tennessee Technology Park (ETTP) contract for nine years—resulting in the largest environmental cleanup project in DOE's history—Ken is applying that experience to successfully lead the Oak Ridge Reservation Cleanup Contract.

Under the ETTP contract, Ken guided and motivated a workforce of over 2,000 to perform work safely and efficiently, eliminating hazards and reducing environmental liability. Under Ken's oversight, UCOR experienced an unmatched record of success, not only finishing major projects ahead of schedule and under budget, but doing so safely as demonstrated by DOE awarding UCOR Star status in its Voluntary Protection Program. In 2019, the National Safety Council recognized Ken's personal commitment to safety and his philosophy of safety as a prerequisite to all work by naming him a CEO who "Gets It." This prestigious designation is presented to leaders who go above and beyond to protect employees both on and off the job.

Throughout his three decades of industry experience, Ken has led all aspects of site cleanup and remediation, radioactive waste treatment, and project integration, including construction, risk management, and cost and schedule development.

Ken previously served as President of Savannah River Remediation LLC and as Project Manager for the Savannah River Site Liquid Waste Project.

Earlier in his career, Ken served as Chief Operating Officer for the Hanford Tank Operations Contract in Washington State and as Director of Project Integration for Washington River Protection Solutions at DOE's Hanford site.

Ken is most proud of building investment-worthy enterprises that deliver more value to the customer for every dollar spent as well as instituting his shared governance model, which brings all stakeholders to the table to build equity and ownership in decision making.

In Oak Ridge, Ken is an active community leader, representing UCOR as a member of local organizations that promote economic development, entrepreneurship, health and wellness, outdoor recreational opportunities, and civic pride. These groups include the East Tennessee Economic Council and Oak Ridge Associated Universities. Under Ken's oversight, UCOR, its workforce, and subcontractors have donated over \$3M to local and regional organizations focused on children's advocacy, education and workforce development, health and wellness, and conservation and preservation.

He serves on the Boards of Directors of the Center for Construction Research and Training, Oak Ridge Associated Universities, and American Society of Safety Professionals. He was the 2016 recipient of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers' prestigious Management Division Award. In 2017, he was presented with the East Tennessee Economic Council Muddy Boot Award, recognizing his contributions to the Oak Ridge community.

