

# Mount Vernon lab receives \$11M contract

*ARDL is an environmental  
firm at airport*

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MOUNT VERNON — ARDL Inc. in Mount Vernon has received an \$11.6 million contract from the U.S. Army, according to a news release from U.S. Congressman Mike Bost.

Under the contract, ARDL will provide environmental services to the Army, including U.S.

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## Contract:

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Environmental Protection Agency Region 5 Superfund Program support; environmental assessment and remediation; industrial hygiene surveys; hazardous, toxic and radioactive waste assessments, program support, remediation and restoration; and other environmental support, the release states.

“As the lead Republican on the House Veterans’ Affairs Committee, I am all too familiar with the effects toxic and hazardous materials can have on both the environment and the health of individuals exposed to them,” Bost said. “This contract will provide (ARDL) with the resources needed to help the Army ensure that hazardous waste is dealt with properly so that it does not cause harm to the environment, service-members or civilians.”



**Mike Bost**

ARDL Business Manager Randy Jenkins remarked briefly Wednesday on the Army contract.

“We are excited to receive this contract from the St. Louis District, Corps of Engineers,” Jenkins said. “We view this win as a testament to all our hardworking employees and staff. Without their dedicated service, ARDL could not continue to perform at the high level required to compete and win contracts of this magnitude across the

country.”

ARDL Inc. is located at 400 Aviation Drive on the grounds of the Mount Vernon Outland Airport. The company’s website describes ARDL as a woman-owned small business that provides many services in the environmental services industry. These services are in the categories of environmental studies and assessments, environmental services, engineering and consulting, research and development projects, and program management, the website states.

The company was first established in Mount Vernon in 1971 by Dr. L.V. Gibbons. ARDL has grown to include a staff of highly trained scientists, engineers and technical specialists, providing a wide range of services in the fields of chemistry, engineering, the environmental sciences, industrial hygiene, safety training and petroleum technology, the website states. 5-27-21

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