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American Centrifuge Plant and Lead Cascade Facility

Docket Numbers 70-7004 and 70-7003; License Numbers SNM-2011 and SNM-7003 Supplemental Responses to Request for Additional Information Regarding USEC Inc.'s Request to Review the Security Program for American Centrifuge Operating, LLC (TAC No. L33133) – Security-Related Information, Official Use Only, and Export Controlled Information

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Dear Ms. Haney:

Purpose

The purpose of this letter is to provide USEC Inc. (USEC) supplemental responses to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) requests for additional information (RAI) for review.

Background

On April 21, 2011 (Reference 1), USEC submitted proposed changes to the Security Program for the American Centrifuge Plant (NR-3605-0004) and the American Centrifuge Lead Cascade Facility to the NRC for review and approval. On June 22, 2011 (Reference 2), the NRC issued a RAI regarding USEC's proposed revisions to the Security Program for American Centrifuge Operating, LLC (ACO). On August 16, 2011 (Reference 3), USEC provided responses to the NRC's RAIs. On October 21, 2011 (Reference 4), the NRC identified additional information needed before final action that was can be taken with regard to

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the Security Program for ACO. On November 15, 2011, USEC verbally discussed with NRC staff extending the response 90 days to February 18, 2012.

Discussion

Enclosure 1 of this letter provides USEC's supplemental RAI responses. Additional proposed changes for the Security Program associated with these supplemental RAI responses are provided in Enclosure 2 of this letter. Proposed changes are designated with a revision bar in the right hand margin.

Enclosures 1 and 2 contain Security-Related Information and in accordance with the guidance provided by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), these enclosures also contain Official Use Only information. Therefore, USEC requests these enclosures be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR 2.390(d)(1). Additionally, Enclosure 2 has been determined, in accordance with the guidance provided by the DOE, to contain Export Controlled Information. This information must be protected from disclosure per the requirements of 10 CFR Part 810.

<u>Action</u>

USEC respectfully requests that the combined NRC/DOE reviews and facility/cyber surveys be completed, and a possessing facility data and approval record be issued for the American Centrifuge Operating, LLC prior to February 9, 2012.

Contact

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (301) 564-3470 or Terry Sensue at (740) 897-2412.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures: As Stated

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References:

- 1. USEC letter AET 11-0021 from P.J. Miner to C. Haney (NRC) regarding Proposed Revision for the American Centrifuge Operating, LLC Security Program/Plans, dated April 21, 2011
- 2. NRC letter from O. Siurano-Perez to P.J. Miner (USEC) regarding Request for Additional Information Regarding USEC Inc.'s Request to Review the Security Program for American Centrifuge Operating, LLC (TAC No. L33133), dated June 22, 2011
- 3. USEC letter AET 11-0043 from P.J. Miner to C. Haney (NRC) regarding Response to Request for Additional Information Regarding USEC Inc.'s Request to Review the Security Program for American Centrifuge Operating, LLC (TAC No. L33133), dated August 16, 2011
- 4. NRC letter from O. Siurano-Perez to P.J. Miner (USEC) regarding Evaluation of USEC Inc.'s, Responses to Request for Additional Information Regarding Its Request to Review the Security Program for American Centrifuge Operating LLC, (TAC No. L33133), dated October 21, 2011