October 5, 2004

Mr. Steven A. Toelle Director, Nuclear Regulatory Affairs USEC Inc. 6903 Rockledge Drive Bethesda, MD 20817-1818

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR USEC INC. LICENSE APPLICATION FOR THE AMERICAN CENTRIFUGE PLANT (TAC NO. L32307)

Dear Mr. Toelle:

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In accordance with 10 CFR 51.20, we have begun preparation of an environmental impact statement (EIS) to assist the NRC in determining environmental impacts from the proposed action. For your information, I am enclosing a copy of the Notice of Intent to prepare an EIS for the proposed ACP. The notice has been forwarded to the Office of the Federal Register for publication and will start the formal scoping period for the EIS.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Matthew Blevins of my staff at at (301) 415-7684. Please refer to Docket No. 70-7004 and TAC No. L32307 in future correspondence related to our environmental review of your application.

Sincerely,

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B. Jennifer Davis, Chief Environmental and Performance Assessment Directorate Division of Waste Management and Environmental Protection Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards

Docket 70-7004

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