

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Mr. J. Morris Brown Vice President - Operations United States Enrichment Corporation Two Democracy Center 6903 Rockledge Drive Bethesda, MD 20817

SUBJECT: COMMITMENTS TO BE CONFIRMED BY ORDER MODIFYING LICENSE

(EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY)

Dear Mr. Brown:

A Confirmatory Order was discussed by the NRC and your staff during an Alternative Dispute Resolution session on November 22, 2004. Based on our understanding of the commitments agreed to by the United States Energy Corporation (USEC), the NRC has drafted the enclosed Confirmatory Order.

Please inform us whether USEC will consent to the enclosed draft Confirmatory Order by providing your written response to me at U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Mail Stop O14E1, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852, within ten working days of the date of this letter. If you consent to the Order, we request that you sign the enclosed Consent and Hearing Waiver form and return it to me at the above address. By signing the enclosed form, USEC agrees to have these commitments incorporated into a Confirmatory Order that will be effective immediately upon issuance and USEC will waive any and all rights to a hearing concerning the Order. After receiving your written consent, the NRC will issue the aforementioned Order.

Questions concerning this letter should be addressed to Doug Starkey, Office of Enforcement, who can be reached at 301-415-3456.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," documents compiled for enforcement purposes are normally placed in the NRC Public Electronic Reading Room (PERR) link at www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.htm. The NRC will delay placing a copy of this letter with its enclosures into the PERR until the Confirmatory Order is issued.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Frank J. Congel, Director Office of Enforcement

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Enclosures:

- 1. Consent and Hearing Waiver Form
- 2. Draft Confirmatory Order

cc w/enclosures:

- R. B. Starkey, Paducah General Manager
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CONSENT AND HEARING WAIVER FORM

The United States Energy Corporation hereby agrees to comply with the commitments
described in this letter and agrees to incorporation of these commitments into a Confirmatory
Order that will be immediately effective upon issuance. I recognize that by signing below, the
United States Energy Corporation consents to the issuance of the Confirmatory Order, effective
immediately, with the commitments described in the NRC's letter dated (insert date), and draft
Confirmatory Order attached, and, by doing so, pursuant to 10 CFR 2.202(a)(3) and (d), the
United States Energy Corporation waives the right to request a hearing on all or any part of the
Order.

J. Morris Brown, Vice President, Operations Date	J. Morris Brown, Vice President, Operations	 Date