

June 14, 2006

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

SUBJECT: AMERICAN CENTRIFUGE LEAD CASCADE FACILITY, APPROVAL OF
REQUEST TO WITHHOLD PROPRIETARY INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC
DISCLOSURE FOR DECOMMISSIONING FUNDING MECHANISMS AND
UPDATED DECOMMISSIONING FUNDING PLAN, (TAC L32328)

Dear Mr. Toelle:

By letter dated May 4, 2006 (AET 06-0048), containing an affidavit dated the same as the letter and executed by Steven A. Toelle, USEC Inc. (USEC) requested the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to withhold from public disclosure pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), Part 2, Section 2.390, information contained in the following document:

May 4, 2006 - Transmittal of Decommissioning Funding Mechanisms and Updated Decommissioning Funding Plan - Enclosure 3.

The affidavit stated that the submitted information should be considered exempt from mandatory public disclosure for the following reasons:

1. The information sought to be withheld from public disclosure is owned and has been held in confidence by USEC.
2. The information is of a type customarily held in confidence by USEC and not customarily disclosed to the public.
3. Public disclosure of this proprietary information is likely to cause substantial harm to the competitive position of USEC because it may enhance the ability of competitors to position and provide similar products.
4. The information is being transmitted to the NRC in confidence and, under the provisions of 10 CFR 2.390, is to be received in confidence by the NRC.
5. The information sought to be protected is not available in public sources or available information has not been previously employed in the same original manner or method to the best of USEC's knowledge and belief.

We have reviewed your application and the material in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.390 and, on the basis of your statements, have determined that the submitted information sought to be withheld contains proprietary commercial information and should be withheld from public disclosure.

Therefore, the document listed above marked as proprietary, will be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR 2.390(b)(5) and Section 103(b) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended. Withholding from public inspection shall not affect the right, if any, of persons properly and directly concerned to inspect the documents.

If the basis for withholding this information from public inspection should change in the future such that the information could then be made available for public inspection, you should promptly notify the NRC. You also should understand that the NRC may have cause to review this determination in the future, for example, if the scope of a Freedom of Information Act request includes your information. In all review situations, if the NRC makes a determination adverse to the above, you will be notified of the date of public disclosure, in advance which will be a reasonable time thereafter.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, I may be reached at 301-415-6981.

Sincerely,

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Gas Centrifuge Facility Licensing Section
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