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Attention: Document Control Desk
Ms. Catherine Haney
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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant (PGDP)
Docket No. 70-7001, Certificate No. GDP-1
Submittal of NRC Form 327, "Special Nuclear Material (SNM) and Source Material (SM) Physical Inventory Summary Report"

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10 CFR 2.390(d)(1)

Dear Ms. Haney:

As required by 10 CFR 74.17(a) and the Fundamental Nuclear Material Control Plan (FNMCP), the United States Enrichment Corporation (USEC) is submitting to the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) the SNM and SM Physical Inventory Summary Report for the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant. The Form 327 document in Enclosure 1 covers the bimonthly inventory period stated therein.

The dynamic, regulatory inventory for this period resulted in a uranium and ²³⁵U inventory difference (line 9) that exceeded the alarm (significant) ID problem limit (3xSEID) in the gain direction. No material was actually fed or withdrawn from the physical cascade because it is shut down; however, the cascade account is still charged with a receipt or shipment if an item is remeasured or waste drums are removed from the cascade account.

As required by our FNMCP, an extensive investigation was conducted, however no issues were identified. Waste material in the Cascade account has slowly built up over prior inventory periods and is currently in the process of being removed as part of transition activities. Removal of this material is most likely the cause of the ID. If measured discards (line 4) were factored out, the Uranium and the U235 adjusted ID would both be within the warning limits. Details of the investigation are documented as ATRC-14-0709 in the plant's tracking system.

Enclosure 1 contains information concerning USEC's material control and accounting program for special nuclear material at the plant. As such, Enclosure 1 contains confidential commercial or financial information that is exempt from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR 2.390(d)(1).



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USEC hereby requests that Enclosure 1 be withheld from public disclosure based on 10 CFR 2.390(d)(1), which states, in part:

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There are no new commitments contained in this submittal. Should you have any questions or comments on the enclosed information, please contact Darrin English at (270) 441-6182.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure: As Stated

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