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Subject: My phone discussion with USEC on ACP decommissioning funding exemption

Brian,

In a phone call with Pete Miner of USEC last Thursday, I had requested USEC to remove from the decommissioning funding exemption request, the cost of decommissioning the facility as the exemption should only account for the cost of dismantling/disposing those centrifuges that are to be installed and for dispositioning the amount of tails that is to be generated. I added that it would be reasonable to incrementally make prior funding arrangements on an annual basis for the number of centrifuges that are conservatively anticipated to be installed and operated and the amount of tails that is conservatively anticipated to be generated.

In a phone call with Kelly Corielle of USEC earlier today, I indicated that in addition to clarifying the exemption request, USEC should modify the decommissioning funding plan by providing a decommissioning cost estimate for the first year of operations. This would include the cost of decommissioning the facility plus the cost of decommissioning a conservatively estimated number of centrifuges to be installed during the first year plus the cost of dispositioning a conservatively estimated amount of tails to be generated during the first year of operations. I added that subsequently, on at least an annual basis, USEC should commit to providing such advance information to the NRC with sufficient lead times to allow the NRC to review the estimates.

Kelly indicated that USEC would address these comments on an urgent basis.

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