

January 21, 2014

Mr. Peter B. Saba, Senior Vice President
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SUBJECT: U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION NOTIFICATION TO USEC INC.,
ON REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSEES SUBJECT TO BANKRUPTCY

Dear Mr. Saba:

It has come to our attention that USEC Inc. (USEC) may file a prearranged and voluntary Chapter 11 petition for relief in the first quarter of 2014. Please note that there are U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) requirements for licensees that are the subject of a bankruptcy filing, to immediately notify, in writing, the appropriate NRC Regional Administrator of this action.

NRC requirements for licensees that are the subject of a bankruptcy filing can be found in Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) 30.34 (h), 40.41 (f), and 70.32 (a)(9). The purpose of these regulations is to ensure that public health and safety is adequately protected and that radioactive material is properly controlled. Specifically, any licensee who is involved in a bankruptcy proceeding, either voluntarily or involuntarily, under any chapter of the bankruptcy law must notify the appropriate NRC Regional Administrator in writing immediately after the filing. The requirements in these regulations apply to a bankruptcy proceeding, for or against: the licensee itself; an entity controlling the licensee; an entity listing the licensee as a property of the estate; or an affiliate of the licensee. The regulations state that the notification must include the identity of the bankruptcy court in which the petition was filed and the date the petition was filed.

Please note that even though a licensee may be involved in bankruptcy proceedings, NRC regulations and license conditions remain in full effect. Also, NRC licenses remain in full effect even beyond their stated expiration date, until terminated in writing by NRC.

If you have any questions regarding this action, please contact Mr. Osiris Siurano-Perez at 301-287-9070, or e-mail Osiris.Siurano-Perez@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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Brian W. Smith, Chief
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Division of Fuel Cycle Safety
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Office of Nuclear Material Safety
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Docket Nos.: 70-7001, 70-7003, 70-7004

Certificate No.: GDP-1

License Nos.: SNM-7003, SNM-2011

cc: Mr. Peter J. Miner, Director, Nuclear Regulatory Affairs, USEC Inc.
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Mr. Daniel W. Rogers, American Centrifuge Plant Operations
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