

November 29, 1996

Mr. Joe W. Parks
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If you wish to discuss these actions with me, please contact me at (301) 415-7212.

Sincerely,
Original Signed By
Elizabeth Q. Ten Eyck, Director
Division of Fuel Cycle Safety
and Safeguards, NMSS

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Docket Nos. 70-7001 & 70-7002

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Certificate of Compliance, Portsmouth GDP (GDP-2)

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U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

FOR OPERATION OF GASEOUS DIFFUSION PLANTS

Pursuant to the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, Title II of the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974, as amended (88 Stat 1242), and Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 76, and in reliance on statements and representations heretofore made by the applicant, a certificate is hereby issued. This certificate is issued to certify that operation of the Gaseous Diffusion Plant identified in No. 5 below is in compliance with the standards set forth in Title 10 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 76, "Certification of Gaseous Diffusion Plants." This certificate shall be deemed to contain the conditions specified in Section 183 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and is subject to all applicable rules, regulations, and orders of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission now or hereafter in effect and to any conditions specified below.

1. CERTIFICATE NUMBER GDP-1	2. REVISION NUMBER 0	3. EXPIRATION DATE December 31, 1998
4. ISSUED TO (Name and Address) United States Enrichment Corporation 2 Democracy Center 6903 Rockledge Drive Bethesda, MD 20817	5. FACILITY AND LOCATION Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant Paducah, KY	
6. DOCKET NUMBER 20-7-01		
7. CONDITIONS This certificate is conditional upon fulfilling the requirements of 10 CFR Part 76, as applicable, and the conditions below.		

8. The United States Enrichment Corporation shall conduct its operations in accordance with the statements and representations contained in the Certification Application dated September 15, 1995, and revisions dated January 19, 1996, May 31, 1996, July 26, 1996, August 1, 1996, and August 1, 1996, and in the Compliance Plan submitted July 12, 1996, July 15, 1996, July 18, 1996, and the revision submitted August 1, 1996.
9. The United States Enrichment Corporation shall conduct its operations in accordance with the Technical Safety Requirements that are contained in Volume 4, Revision 5 of the Application dated August 1, 1996, as modified by Revision 6 of the application dated August 12, 1996. Changes to the Technical Safety Requirements shall require NRC approval prior to implementation.
10. This Certificate of Compliance shall become effective on March 3, 1997. The NRC shall assume regulatory jurisdiction from the Department of Energy at 12:01 AM on March 3, 1997.

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GDP-1
Certificate Number

SUPPLEMENTARY SHEET

70-7001
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11. The United States Enrichment Corporation is hereby granted the special authorizations and exemptions in Chapter 1, Section 1.8 of the Safety Analysis Report, Revision 1.
12. The United States Enrichment Corporation is hereby granted an exemption from the requirements in 10 CFR 76.31 and 76.36 requiring submittal of a renewal application for the year 1997. The next renewal application shall be filed by April 15, 1998.

Date:

November 26, 1998

By:

[Signature]
Director, Office of Nuclear Material Safety
Washington, DC 20555

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1. CERTIFICATE NUMBER GDP-2	2. REVISION NUMBER 0	3. EXPIRATION DATE December 31, 1998
4. ISSUED TO (Name and Address) United States Enrichment Corporation 2 Democracy Center 6903 Rockledge Drive Bethesda, MD 20817		FACILITY AND LOCATION Bartsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant Bartsmouth, OH
5. ROCKET NUMBER 0-700		
7. CONDITIONS This certificate is conditional upon fulfilling the requirements of 10 CFR Part 76, as applicable, and the conditions below.		

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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

GDP-2

Certificate Number

SUPPLEMENTARY SHEET

70-7002

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