SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): June 17, 2002

		USEC Inc.		
	(Exact name of	(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)		
	Delaware	001-14287	52-2107911	
	(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)	
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	(Address of principal executiv	re offices)	(Zip Code)	
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		Not Applicable		
	(Former name or for	mer address, if changed s	since last report)	

Item 5. Other Events.

A. Russian Contract

USEC Inc. ("USEC" or the "Company") announced on June 19, 2002 that the U.S. and Russian governments had approved implementation of new, market-based pricing terms for the remaining 12 years of the historic Megatons to Megawatts national security program. USEC, executive agent of the U.S. government, and OAO Techsnabexport ("Tenex"), executive agent of the Russian government, are parties to a contract (the "Russian Contract") under which USEC purchases the SWU or enrichment component of low-enriched uranium ("LEU") recovered from dismantled nuclear weapons from the former Soviet Union for use as fuel in USEC customers' commercial nuclear power plants.

USEC announced in February 2002 that it had reached agreement with Tenex on an amendment to the Russian Contract that creates a market-based mechanism to determine prices beginning in calendar year 2003 and continuing through 2013, the remaining term of the agreement. In consideration for this stable and economic structure for the future, USEC agreed to extend the calendar year 2001 price of \$90.42 per SWU through calendar year 2002 (i.e., the last two quarters of USEC's fiscal year 2002, and the first two quarters of USEC's fiscal year 2003). The agreement reached by USEC and Tenex was subject to the approval of the U.S. and Russian governments. Approval by the governments was announced by the U.S. Department of State on June 19, 2002.

Beginning in calendar year 2003, the price under the Russian Contract will be determined using a discount from an index of international and U.S. price points, including both long-term and spot prices. A multi-year retrospective of this index will be used to minimize the disruptive effect of any short-term market price swings.

USEC has committed to purchase 5.5 million SWU annually from Tenex from calendar year 2002 through calendar year 2012, and such amount in calendar year 2013 as may be required to ensure that over the life of the Russian Contract USEC has purchased the SWU contained in 500 metric tons of highly enriched uranium ("HEU"). USEC also has agreed to purchase over two or more years after calendar year 2002 a total of approximately 1.6 million SWU that USEC had ordered in 1999 but Tenex had not been able to deliver.

The amendment also provides that after the end of calendar year 2007 USEC and Tenex will agree on appropriate adjustments, if necessary, to ensure that Tenex receives at least \$7.565 billion from the sale of SWU under the Russian Contract over the 20-year term of the agreement.

B. DOE-USEC Agreement

USEC announced on June 18, 2002 that the Company and the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") had signed an Agreement (the "DOE-USEC Agreement") whereby both USEC and DOE make long-term commitments directed at resolving a number of outstanding issues bearing on the stability and security of the domestic uranium enrichment industry.

The following is a summary of the DOE-USEC Agreement.

<u>Russian Contract</u>. USEC has agreed to purchase, if made available by the Russian executive agent, 5.5 million SWU per calendar year contained in LEU derived from at least 30 metric tons per year of weapons-origin HEU.

The DOE-USEC Agreement provides that DOE will recommend against removal, in whole or in part, of USEC as the U.S. executive agent under the Russian Contract as long as USEC orders the specified amount of SWU from the Russian executive agent and complies with its obligations under the DOE-USEC Agreement and the Russian Contract. The DOE-USEC Agreement does not affect the ability of USEC to resign, or the U.S. government to terminate USEC, as the U.S. executive agent, upon the provision of proper advance notice as provided in the April 1997 Memorandum of Agreement with the U.S. Department of State and DOE.

Replacing Out-of-Specification Natural Uranium Inventory. USEC has previously reported that limited samples of certain natural uranium transferred to USEC from DOE prior to privatization contain elevated levels of technetium that would put the material out of specification. The total amount of uranium inventory that may be impacted is approximately 9,500 metric tons. Under the DOE-USEC Agreement, DOE has agreed to replace any natural uranium that was determined to be out-of-specification.

Replacement or remediation of any out-of-specification natural uranium inventory will be accomplished by (i) USEC cleaning up a portion of the material with USEC being compensated by DOE for the clean-up costs as described below, (ii) DOE replacing a portion of the material and (iii) DOE endeavoring to engage third parties to determine whether any remaining out-of-specification uranium can be replaced, remedied or exchanged.

USEC has agreed to operate facilities at the Portsmouth plant at its own expense (other than site infrastructure expenses, which will be paid by DOE) for 15 months in order to remove contaminants from a portion of the out-of-specification uranium. USEC estimates the cost to operate these facilities will be \$21 million through October 2003. To compensate USEC for these clean-up costs, DOE will take title to all depleted uranium generated by USEC at the Paducah GDP during fiscal years 2002 and 2003, and half of the depleted uranium generated in fiscal years 2004 and 2005, up to a maximum of 23.3 million kilograms of uranium (KgU) contained in depleted uranium. (At USEC's current production level, annual costs accrued for the disposition of depleted uranium would approximate \$18 million.) USEC will release the United States from liability with respect to any out-of-specification uranium that is processed or replaced, and in any event will release the United States for liability with respect to at least 2,800 metric tons of natural uranium.

With respect to remaining out-of-specification natural uranium, the liability for which has not been released by USEC, DOE will attempt to engage third parties to determine whether the remaining material can be replaced, remedied or exchanged. If arrangements for replacement or clean-up of this uranium are not in place by March 31, 2003, then DOE must, at its option, exchange, replace, clean-up or reimburse USEC for 3,293 metric tons of uranium less the amount actually processed at Portsmouth by March 31, 2003, subject to availability of

appropriated funds and legislative authority for this purpose. Although the parties intend to pursue such legislative authority, there can be no assurance that Congress will appropriate such funds and pass requisite legislation.

DOE's obligations to replace all out-of-specification natural uranium continue until all such material is replaced or released. DOE's obligations with respect to the out-of-specification uranium survive any termination of the DOE-USEC Agreement as long as USEC is producing LEU at the Paducah GDP containing at least 1 million SWU per year, or at a new enrichment facility.

<u>Domestic Enrichment Facilities</u>. USEC has agreed to operate the Paducah GDP at a production rate at or above 3.5 million SWU per year, as measured by USEC's June 30 fiscal year. Historically, USEC has operated at production rates significantly above this level, and in its current fiscal year USEC will produce about 5 million SWU at the Paducah GDP.

The 3.5 million annual production level may not be reduced until six months before USEC has completed an advanced enrichment technology facility capable of producing 3.5 million SWU per year. If the Paducah GDP is operated at less than the specified 3.5 million SWU in any given fiscal year, USEC may cure such defect by increasing SWU production to the 3.5 million SWU level in the ensuing fiscal year. This right to cure may be used only once by USEC in each five or six-year lease term.

USEC has agreed to provide DOE with at least 120 days notice before implementing any plant closing or mass lay off. If USEC does not maintain the requisite level of operations and has not cured the deficiency, USEC is required to waive its exclusive right to lease the Paducah and Portsmouth GDPs. If USEC ceases operations at Paducah or loses its certification from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission ("NRC"), DOE may take such action as it deems necessary to transition operation of the plant from USEC to ensure the continuity of domestic enrichment operations and the fulfillment of supply contracts. In either such event, DOE may be released from its obligations under the DOE-USEC Agreement. USEC will be deemed to have "ceased operations" at the Paducah GDP if it (i) produces less than 1 million SWU or (ii) fails to meet specific maintenance and operational procedures established in the DOE-USEC Agreement.

USEC has agreed to maintain leased property at the Portsmouth GDP (other than any leased property subject to USEC's cold standby contract with DOE) in a condition to permit it to be considered as a possible site for USEC's deployment of an enrichment facility using advanced uranium enrichment technology. If USEC does not maintain the applicable Portsmouth facilities or does not operate the facilities to remove technetium for 15 months as discussed above, USEC will waive any statutory exclusive right it has to lease the Portsmouth GDP and will waive certain of its rights under the lease for the Portsmouth GDP. Additionally, DOE can terminate the DOE-USEC Agreement and be released from its obligations under it.

Advanced Enrichment Technology. USEC has been exploring alternative uranium technologies with the goal of developing, constructing and deploying a new enrichment facility and process to replace the existing GDPs. DOE spent more than two decades and \$3 billion in research and development of an advanced centrifuge, including the construction of a building for

centrifuge machines at the Portsmouth GDP. USEC announced in October 2001 that efforts were underway to demonstrate the U.S. centrifuge technology by taking advantage of earlier government development and recent technological advances in construction materials and manufacturing methods

The DOE-USEC Agreement provides that USEC will begin operations of an enrichment facility at Paducah or Portsmouth using advanced technology with annual capacity of 1 million SWU (expandable to 3.5 million SWU) in accordance with certain milestones. The milestone schedule contains target dates for various steps culminating in deployment of an advanced enrichment technology facility, including testing, NRC licensing, financing and construction. The milestones require, among other things, that a centrifuge facility (i) begin commercial operations in Portsmouth by January 2009 and achieve an annual capacity of 1 million SWU by March 2010 or (ii) begin commercial operations in Paducah by January 2010 and achieve an annual capacity of 1 million SWU by March 2011.

If USEC does not meet a milestone and the resulting delay will materially impact its ability to begin commercial operations on schedule, for reasons within its control, DOE may take any of the following actions: (1) terminate the DOE-USEC Agreement and be relieved of its obligations thereunder, (2) require USEC to reimburse DOE any costs caused by DOE expediting decontamination and decommissioning facilities to be used by USEC for advanced technology, (3) require USEC to transfer to DOE royalty free exclusive rights to the centrifuge technology and data in the field of uranium enrichment, (4) require USEC to return any leased facilities upon which the advanced technology project was being or was intended to be constructed, and (5) except for GDP facilities being operated, require USEC to waive its exclusive right to lease the Paducah and Portsmouth plants.

After USEC has secured firm financing commitments for the construction of a 1 million SWU plant and has begun construction, DOE's remedies are limited to circumstances where USEC's gross negligence in project planning and execution is responsible for schedule delays or USEC has abandoned or constructively abandoned the project. In such cases, USEC will be entitled to a reasonable royalty for the use of any intellectual property and data transferred for non-governmental purposes.

USEC's commitments under the DOE-USEC Agreement do not change USEC's plans regarding the third-generation SILEX technology, which USEC will continue to develop at a pace consistent with its stage of development.

Execution of Cooperative Research and Development Agreement ("CRADA"). DOE has agreed that within 30 days of a request by USEC, DOE will authorize the execution of a CRADA between USEC and the management and operating contractor for DOE's Oak Ridge National Laboratory ("ORNL"). The CRADA will enable USEC to gain access to DOE's centrifuge technology, facilities and experts at ORNL. The CRADA will include similar terms as the expired CRADA, provided such terms are not inconsistent with the DOE-USEC Agreement. USEC and DOE have agreed to work together in good faith to negotiate an expanded CRADA that will address the scope of ORNL support of USEC's demonstration phase and development of the lead cascade for a gas centrifuge facility. On June 19, 2002, pursuant to the terms of the

DOE-USEC Agreement, USEC transmitted to DOE a request for DOE to authorize execution of the CRADA by ORNL.

General. USEC and DOE have agreed to form a joint working group for the purposes of implementing the advanced technology deployment specified in the DOE-USEC Agreement. USEC and DOE have also agreed to consult with each other as necessary and appropriate to carry out the objectives of the DOE-USEC Agreement, including periodic meetings between the Deputy Secretary of Energy and the President/CEO of USEC. The DOE-USEC Agreement also contains certain force majeure provisions which excuse USEC's failure to perform under the DOE-USEC Agreement if such failure arises from causes beyond the control and without fault or negligence of USEC. Moreover, the exercise of any of the remedies set forth in the DOE-USEC Agreement is subject to notice and appeal procedures contained therein.

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The foregoing summary of the DOE-USEC Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to the DOE-USEC Agreement, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 99.3.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

USEC Inc.

By: /s/ Henry Z Shelton, Jr.

Name: Henry Z Shelton, Jr. Title: Senior Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

Date: June 20, 2002

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June 18, 2002 Charles Yulish (301) 564-3391 Elizabeth Stuckle (301) 564-3399

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USEC and U.S. Energy Department Sign Accord
— Agreement Advances Centrifuge Enrichment Technology —
— Parties Will Resolve Uranium Issue; USEC Commits to Operate Paducah Plant —

Bethesda, MD – USEC Inc. (NYSE: USU) and the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) have signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) whereby both USEC and the DOE make long-term commitments that will ensure stability for the domestic uranium enrichment industry and provide a continued, reliable fuel source for the world's nuclear reactors.

The DOE commits to work with USEC in its development and deployment of an advanced centrifuge uranium enrichment plant by the end of this decade, beginning with the authorization of a new Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) within 30 days and the establishment of a Deployment Working Group. DOE also commits to support USEC as the executive agent under the Russian HEU agreement.

USEC commits to deploy an advanced uranium enrichment plant in the 2010-2011 timeframe, to operate the Paducah, Kentucky plant at a minimum production level of 3.5 million SWU annually until the new technology plant is producing, and to maintain certain DOE property that could serve as a site for an advanced plant. As executive agent, USEC will annually order and take delivery of low-enriched uranium derived from 30 metric tons of Russian warhead material through the completion of the Megatons to Megawatts program in 2013. USEC also commits to operate a facility at the Portsmouth, Ohio plant for 15 months to clean up a portion of its inventory that is potentially contaminated by technetium. In return, DOE will take three years worth of depleted uranium from USEC's production over a four-year period. DOE also commits to help replace any other natural uranium it provided to USEC that may be out of specification.

"This agreement provides a strong cooperative foundation between DOE and USEC that will enhance shareholder value and at the same time serve vital domestic energy security and national security interests," said William H. Timbers, USEC president and chief executive officer. "Combined with the contract we have signed with Russia, we have further strengthened our core business and have a clear path to developing what we believe will be the industry's best advanced enrichment technology."

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Terms of the MOA

DOE spent more than two decades and \$3 billion in research and development of an advanced centrifuge, including the construction of a building for centrifuge machines at the Portsmouth, enrichment plant. Hundreds of these machines were built and tested in a limited run before DOE ended the program in 1985. Two years ago, USEC entered into a CRADA with DOE to resurrect the U.S. centrifuge design. After spending more than \$7 million, USEC announced in October that efforts were underway to demonstrate the U.S. centrifuge technology by taking advantage of earlier government development and recent technological advances in construction materials and manufacturing methods. USEC has improved the centrifuge design and intends to demonstrate its performance, reliability and cost projections.

DOE will continue to grant USEC access to the centrifuge technology and the facilities and experts at the national laboratory in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. USEC will prepare a phased deployment plan for a centrifuge plant at either the Paducah or Portsmouth plant that would produce enriched uranium in the 2010-2011 timeframe, based on a set of milestones. A joint Deployment Working Group will develop a mutually agreed plan to monitor milestone progress. USEC expects spending on advanced technology projects to approximately double in fiscal 2003, compared to fiscal 2002.

Separately, USEC will operate the Paducah plant at a minimum of 3.5 million SWU per year until a centrifuge plant reaches production. The Company also commits to maintain the Paducah plant in a state of readiness to increase production if necessary. In the current fiscal year, USEC will produce about 5 million SWU.

In the agreement, the government also confirmed its responsibility for remediating or replacing any uranium that was transferred by DOE prior to USEC's privatization that may be out of specification. USEC will operate a facility at the Portsmouth plant to remove technetium from a portion of the affected natural uranium until October 2003. In addition, DOE has agreed to replace a portion of the affected uranium. Approximately one-third of the affected uranium will be replaced by March 31, 2003, and about one-half in total will be replaced or cleaned up by October 2003. DOE will engage third parties to swap uranium or find a technological solution to clean the remaining affected uranium.

Transfer and shipping operations for USEC have been consolidated at the Paducah plant, and the Portsmouth facility that previously handled transfer and shipping will end those activities during the summer of 2002. The Company announced in February that 440 workers at the Portsmouth facility would be laid off in the next few months, but now many of those affected employees will be involved in the uranium cleanup operation. Under the terms of the MOA, USEC will pay these employees and the expenses involved in the cleanup, estimated at \$21 million through October 2003. In exchange, the government will take possession of three years worth of depleted uranium "tails" from the USEC production process, beginning in the current fiscal year.

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The completion of the MOA and the anticipated government approval of commercial terms for the Megatons to Megawatts program will enhance USEC's ability to strengthen and build upon its core business of uranium enrichment, and to ensure that the Company retains its global leadership position in nuclear power.

This news release contains forward-looking information that involves risk and uncertainty, including certain assumptions regarding the future performance of the Company. Actual results and trends may differ materially depending upon a variety of factors, including, without limitation, market demand for USEC's products, pricing trends in the uranium and enrichment markets, deliveries under the Russian contract, the availability and cost of electric power, implementing necessary agreements with the Department of Energy ("DOE") regarding use of advanced technology and facilities, satisfactory performance of the technology at various stages of demonstration, USEC's ability to successfully execute its internal performance plans and maintain access to short-term funding, the refueling cycles of USEC's customers, implementing inventory remediations, the outcome of litigation, and the impact of any government regulation. Revenue and operating results can fluctuate significantly from quarter to quarter, and in some cases, year to year.

USEC Inc., a global energy company, is the world's leading supplier of enriched uranium fuel for commercial nuclear power plants.

June 19, 2002

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Governments Approve New USEC-Russian Agreement U.S. and Russia Approve Market-based Pricing Terms to Convert Warheads to Nuclear Fuel

Bethesda, MD – The U.S. and Russian governments have approved implementation of new, flexible market-based pricing terms for the remaining 12 years of the historic Megatons to Megawatts national security program. The new flexible pricing terms will go into effect in January 2003. USEC Inc. (NYSE: USU) is the program's executive agent for the U.S. government.

The Megatons to Megawatts program is a 20-year, \$8 billion program to convert bomb-grade uranium from dismantled Russian nuclear weapons into nuclear fuel. USEC purchases the nuclear fuel from Russia and sells it to customers to power their electric generating stations. The program is completely funded by USEC under commercial terms.

In the eight years since the program's inception, Russian bomb-grade material capable of making almost 6,000 warheads has been eliminated by its conversion to commercial nuclear reactor fuel. USEC has paid Russia nearly \$2.5 billion to date. The Megatons to Megawatts program eliminates nuclear warhead material that might otherwise be sought by terrorists. The program will continue through 2013 and will eliminate Russian bomb-grade highly enriched uranium capable of making approximately 20,000 nuclear warheads.

"These new commercial terms benefit each of the parties," said William H. Timbers, USEC president and chief executive officer. "The government is achieving a vital national security goal without taxpayer funds. The Russian government is securing a steady revenue stream from selling this nuclear material over the next 12 years, and USEC's shareholders benefit from our paying a fair, market-based price for this important supply of enriched uranium fuel. Resolving price issues with Russia for about half of our product supply is a key step in strengthening our core business."

Signing this contract amendment culminates several years of intense effort by USEC to increase operational efficiencies, enhance revenue by ending unfair foreign trade practices and put in place a long-term competitive pricing structure for the Megatons to Megawatts program.



Pricing Contract Terms

Under the terms of the contract amendment, market-based pricing will take effect January 1, 2003. USEC will pay the fixed price of \$90.42 per SWU for the remainder of calendar 2002.

Terms of the amendment between USEC and Tenex, the Russian executive agent, include:

- A commitment through 2013 to purchase at least 5.5 million SWU annually, which is derived from approximately 30 metric tons of HEU, resulting in the purchase of a total of 500 metric tons.
- A market-based pricing formula that includes a discount from an index of international and U.S. price points, including both long-term
 and spot prices. A multi-year retrospective of this index will be used to smooth out the disruptive effect of any short-term market price
 swings.
- The amendment contemplates that Russia will receive at least \$7.5 billion over the 20-year term of the HEU agreement.

The Company reiterates its earnings guidance for fiscal year 2002 of \$9 to \$12 million, and now expects to be at the high end of that range. The Company now expects cash flow from operations, after capital expenditures, to be about \$200 million. The \$50 million improvement in cash flow since our April guidance is due to the timing of deliveries from Russia. For fiscal 2003, which begins July 1, the Company anticipates earnings to be in roughly the same range as fiscal 2002. Because the market-based pricing will go into effect in January 2003, the anticipated lower prices paid for Russian deliveries will begin to impact positively USEC's financial results in the second half of fiscal 2003.

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AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY ("DOE") AND USEC INC. ("USEC")

The U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY ("DOE") and USEC INC. ("USEC") hereby agree as follows:

Ensure continued removal of Russian weapons-origin highly-enriched uranium (HEU) under the US-Russia HEU Purchase Agreement ("US-Russia HEU Agreement").

US-Russia HEU Agreement

- Each year USEC remains the sole Executive Agent (EA) for the United States under the US-Russia HEU Agreement, USEC must order, and take delivery of, if made available by the Russian Executive Agent, LEU derived from at least 30 metric tons per year weapons-origin HEU, subject to instructions to USEC under the US-Russia HEU Agreement and the Executive Agent Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) by the United States Government (USG).
- If USEC satisfactorily performs the above-referenced obligation and all other of its obligations under this Agreement and the US-Russia HEU Agreement, DOE agrees to recommend against the removal, in whole or in part, of USEC as EA under the US-Russia HEU Agreement.
- If USEC fails to meet this obligation, DOE may terminate this Agreement and be released from DOE's obligations under this Agreement.
- USG retains its rights to remove and replace USEC as EA or to designate additional EAs under the MOA.

Ensure the stability of existing domestic enrichment capabilities, including operations at the Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Article 2: Plant (GDP) site and continued operation of the Paducah GDP at or above 3.5 MM SWU per year until new, cost-effective advanced enrichment technology is deployed commercially in the U.S.

A. Operations at the Portsmouth GDP site

- USEC will maintain leased real and personal property at the Portsmouth GDP site (other than the property subject to the cold standby contract) in a condition that will permit its consideration as a candidate site for USEC's deployment of advanced uranium enrichment technology.
- USEC will not unreasonably withhold its agreement for DOE to allow private entities access to and utilize non-leased real and personal property at DOE's Portsmouth GDP site for activities not associated with enrichment of uranium so long as any such use will not have a material adverse impact on USEC's advanced enrichment technology program.
- As further described in Article 4 of this Agreement, USEC agrees to operate the Shipping and Transfer (S/T) facilities for 15 months following
 the execution of this Agreement to remove the contaminants from a portion of its Affected Inventory to meet ASTM C-787-90 or produce
 material acceptable to USEC for use as feed material in its enrichment facility.
- If USEC fails to maintain leased real and personal property at the Portsmouth GDP site other than the property subject to the cold standby contract in a condition that will permit its consideration as a candidate site for USEC's deployment of advanced uranium enrichment technology or fails to operate the S/T facilities for 15 months as described above, USEC agrees to waive any statutory exclusive right it may have to lease the Portsmouth GDP under section 3107(b) of the Privatization Act (and the implementing lease provisions) and USEC agrees to waive its rights under Section 3.4(a) and (c) of the lease to include Portsmouth GDP real and personal property in its leasehold before DOE disposes of such property. (In taking any actions as a result of the preceding waivers, DOE agrees that the authorized actions for failure to maintain Portsmouth in a condition that will permit its consideration as a candidate site for deployment of advanced enrichment technology or failure to operate the S/T facilities for 15 months do not include transitioning USEC from its operation of the Paducah enrichment facilities as is provided for in the event USEC "ceases enrichment operations at Paducah" as defined in this Agreement unless there has been a determination that USEC has ceased enrichment operations at Paducah pursuant to that portion of the Agreement.) If USEC fails to maintain leased real and personal property at Portsmouth other than the property subject to the cold standby contract in a condition that will permit its consideration as a candidate site for USEC's deployment of advanced enrichment technology or fails to operate the S/T for 15 months as described above, as the case may be, DOE also may terminate this Agreement and be released from its obligations under it.

- If USEC plans not to maintain leased real and personal property at Portsmouth other than the property subject to the cold standby contract in a condition that will permit its consideration as a candidate site for USEC's deployment of advanced uranium enrichment technology or fails to operate the S/T for 15 months as described above, as the case may be, USEC must provide notice to DOE. If DOE believes that USEC is not maintaining leased real and personal property at Portsmouth other than the property subject to the cold standby contract in a condition that will permit its consideration as a candidate site for the deployment of advanced enrichment technology or that USEC has failed to operate the S/T for 15 months as described above, as the case may be, DOE will notify USEC of that belief. In either event, USEC will have an opportunity (within thirty (30) days) to provide its position regarding USEC's compliance with its obligation to maintain leased real and personal property at Portsmouth other than the property subject to the cold standby contract in a condition that will permit its consideration as a candidate site for the deployment of advanced enrichment technology or to operate the S/T for 15 months as described above, as the case may be, to DOE's Director of Nuclear Energy, Science and Technology (NE).
- Within sixty (60) days of USEC's submission to DOE, NE will determine whether USEC is in compliance with the obligation to maintain leased real and personal property at Portsmouth other than the property subject to the cold standby contract in a condition that will permit its consideration as a candidate site for USEC's deployment of advanced enrichment technology, or to operate the S/T for 15 months as described above, as the case may be, and what action, if any DOE will take. USEC may appeal this determination within thirty (30) days to the Secretary of Energy (or designee), whose determination will be considered to be a final agency action under this Agreement. USEC retains all remedies available to it under the Administrative Procedure Act to challenge the decision of the Secretary (or designee).

B. USEC's Commitment to Operate Paducah

- USEC shall operate the Paducah GDP at a level at or above 3.5 MM SWU per year as measured each year of USEC's fiscal year (July 1 to June 30). USEC may not reduce this production level until six months before USEC has the permanent addition of 3.5 MM SWU per year of new capacity installed based on advanced enrichment technology. In the event USEC does not expand its 1 MM SWU commercial plant to a capacity of 3.5 MM SWU per year, USEC shall continue to maintain SWU production at the Paducah GDP at a level at or above 3.5 MM SWU per year as measured each year of USEC's fiscal year (July 1 to June 30).
- USEC will not unreasonably withhold its agreement for DOE to allow private entities access to and utilize the non-leased real or personal property at DOE's Paducah GDP site

for activities not associated with enrichment of uranium so long as any such use will not have a material adverse impact on USEC's GDP operations, USEC's deployment of advanced enrichment technology, or USEC's compliance with the NRC Part 76 Certificate at the Paducah GDP site.

- If USEC fails to operate the Paducah GDP at a level at or above an annual rate of 3.5 MM SWU per year as measured each year of USEC's fiscal year (July 1 to June 30) before USEC is within six months of having installed the permanent addition of 3.5 MM SWU per year of new capacity based on advanced enrichment technology (hereinafter "USEC Paducah GDP production deficiency period"), USEC will have one opportunity in each five-year or six-year lease term to cure this deficiency in the immediately succeeding USEC fiscal year. If USEC repeats a Paducah GDP production deficiency period in the immediately succeeding USEC fiscal year or in any fiscal year thereafter in the same five-year or six-year lease term, USEC agrees to waive its statutory exclusive right to lease the GDPs under section 3107(b) of the Privatization Act (and the implementing lease provisions) and USEC agrees to waive its rights under Section 3.4(a) and (c) of the lease to include GDP real and personal property in its leasehold before DOE disposes of such property. (In taking any actions as a result of the preceding waivers, DOE agrees that the authorized actions for failure to operate the Paducah GDP at or above 3.5 MM SWU per year do not include transitioning USEC from its operation of the Paducah enrichment facilities as is provided for in the event USEC "ceases enrichment operations at Paducah" as defined in this Agreement unless there has been a determination that USEC has ceased enrichment operations at Paducah pursuant to that portion of the Agreement.) In the event of a USEC Paducah GDP production deficiency period (after one unsuccessful cure period in the same five-year or six-year lease term), DOE also may terminate this Agreement and be released from its obligations under it.
- In the event a USEC Paducah production deficiency period falls in the last year of the lease term and USEC certifies to DOE that it will attempt to cure the deficiency by increasing Paducah GDP production to achieve the 3.5 MM SWU per year level, DOE will extend the lease one additional year (with an additional one-year option period, exercisable in the sole discretion of DOE). The preceding sentence affects only the lease term, and does not directly or indirectly affect any other portion of the lease, including Section 4.4 <u>Turnover Requirements</u>; provided, however, in the event the USEC Paducah production deficiency is cured in the extended one year lease period, the normal lease renewal procedures will be reinstituted thereafter.

C. Monitoring and Compliance Process for Paducah Operations Commitment

 USEC will provide quarterly historical production and annual projected production reports to DOE to enable DOE to monitor Paducah operational levels. USEC also shall provide DOE advance notice at least 120 days before implementation of any "plant closing" or "mass layoff" as those terms are defined in 29 U.S.C. 2101 (a)(2) and (3), respectively.

- If USEC is not within six months of having installed the permanent addition of 3.5 MM SWU per year of new capacity based on advanced enrichment technology and the Paducah GDP will or does fall below an operational level of 3.5 MM SWU per year, USEC must provide notice to DOE. If DOE believes that the Paducah GDP has or will fall below an operational level of 3.5 MM SWU per year, it will notify USEC of that belief. In either event, USEC will have an opportunity (within thirty (30) days) to provide its position regarding USEC's compliance with its obligation to operate the Paducah GDP at or above 3.5 MM SWU per year to DOE's Director of Nuclear Energy, Science and Technology (NE).
- Within sixty (60) days of USEC's submission to DOE, NE will determine whether USEC is in compliance with the 3.5 MM SWU per year
 commitment and what action, if any DOE will take. USEC may appeal this determination within thirty (30) days to the Secretary of Energy (or
 designee), whose determination will be considered to be a final agency action under this Agreement. USEC retains all remedies available to
 it under the Administrative Procedure Act to challenge the decision of the Secretary (or designee).
- If USEC believes that the domestic enrichment market is otherwise stable and viable but that a significant change has taken place in the domestic or international enrichment markets such that continued operation of the Paducah GDP at or above 3.5 MM SWU per year is commercially impracticable, it may present its position to DOE. No amendment to this Agreement is effective without the written agreement of both Parties.

D. Assurance Regarding Continuity of Paducah Enrichment Operations

- If USEC "ceases enrichment operations at the Paducah GDP" (as defined below) or loses its NRC certificate for operating the Paducah GDP prior to six months before USEC has the permanent addition of 3.5 MM SWU per year of new capacity installed based on advanced enrichment technology, DOE, directly or through contract, may take actions it deems necessary to transition operation of the Paducah GDP site from USEC operation to ensure the continuity of domestic enrichment operations and the fulfillment of supply contracts. USEC shall promptly inform DOE in advance in the event it is planning to cease operations at the Paducah GDP or has advance knowledge that it will lose its NRC certificate for operating the Paducah GDP.
- The term "ceases enrichment operations at the Paducah GDP" means: (i) a determination by USEC to stop the production of enriched uranium at the Paducah GDP; (ii) USEC does not produce enriched uranium at the Paducah GDP at a 1MM SWU per year level

for any consecutive 12-month period following execution of this Agreement; or (iii) USEC is not taking actions appropriate to maintaining the ability of the Paducah GDP to operate at an annualized rate of 5.5 MM SWU per year.

The Parties agree that the "actions appropriate to maintaining the ability of the Paducah GDP to operate at an annualized rate of 5.5 MM SWU per year" means the Paducah GDP enrichment cascade will be maintained such that at least 150 cells at all times must either be operating, in standby, undergoing maintenance, or on a maintenance schedule (i.e., the cells have not been abandoned) to be capable of supporting, within an 8-month period, a ramp-up to produce at an annualized rate of 5.5 MM SWU per year, with a product assay of up to 4.95 percent at 0.3 percent tails. USEC shall maintain dry air buffering on all cells not utilized for uranium enrichment operations that are capable of being buffered (i.e., cells not in operation, in standby, or undergoing maintenance). USEC shall not discontinue such cell buffering on any cell capable of being buffered (i.e., abandon) without providing DOE at least 180 days' advance written notice (except in an emergency situation) and provide DOE with the opportunity to protect the barrier at the Paducah GDP site of any cell proposed by USEC for abandonment. In the event of an emergency situation preventing 180 days' advance notice, USEC shall provide written notice to DOE as soon as reasonably possible after the emergency situation is under control. If DOE commences to protect the barrier of any cell proposed for abandonment, then that cell and related cell equipment shall be deleted from the USEC leasehold and no longer available to USEC for future use in its enrichment operations without the agreement of DOE and reimbursement to DOE for the costs incurred in protecting the barrier. USEC will provide to DOE quarterly reports regarding cell operation to include the number of cells that have been abandoned and the number of cells that are in operation, in standby, undergoing maintenance or on a maintenance schedule, and such other information that DOE may reasonably request to monitor USEC's performance under this provision.

To "transition operation of the Paducah GDP site from USEC operation" to ensure the continuity of domestic enrichment operations and the fulfillment of supply contracts, means USEC agrees that DOE may designate an alternate operator, may terminate all or a portion of the GDP leasehold, and/or require the return of the leased facilities in good and operable condition. USEC also agrees to waive any lease provisions that would interfere with DOE's ability to step onto the Paducah GDP site for these purposes and agrees not to oppose legislation required to permit DOE's implementation of this provision (e.g., to amend section 3112 of the Privatization Act to authorize DOE to provide enrichment services). In the event DOE transitions operations of Paducah from USEC, DOE may terminate this Agreement and be released of its obligations under it.

In the event USEC ceases enrichment operations at the Paducah GDP (as that phrase is defined), or in the event USEC loses its NRC certificate for operating the Paducah GDP, the transition of Paducah operation will commence promptly upon DOE's request and

USEC agrees to waive its statutory exclusive right to lease the GDPs under section 3107(b) of the Privatization Act (and the implementing lease provisions) and its rights under Section 3.4(a) and (c) of the lease to include GDP real and personal property in its leasehold before DOE disposes of such property. The foregoing transition will not occur if the period at which USEC ceases enrichment operations at the Paducah GDP (as that phrase is defined), or USEC loses its NRC certificate for operating the Paducah GDP is within six months of USEC's having installed the permanent addition of 3.5 MM SWU per year of new capacity based on advanced enrichment technology. In the event the parties cannot agree on whether USEC has ceased enrichment operations at the Paducah GDP (as that phrased is defined), USEC will have an opportunity (within thirty (30) days) to provide its position regarding whether USEC has ceased enrichment operations to NE.

Within sixty (60) days of USEC's submission to DOE, NE will determine whether USEC has ceased enrichment operations at the Paducah GDP and what action, if any, DOE will take. USEC may appeal this determination within thirty (30) days to the Secretary of Energy (or designee), whose determination will be considered to be the final agency action under this Agreement. USEC retains all remedies available to it under the Administrative Procedure Act to challenge the decision of the Secretary (or designee).

Article 3: Facilitate the deployment of new, cost-effective advanced enrichment technology in the U.S. on a rapid schedule.

USEC Deployment of Advanced Enrichment Technology

- USEC must begin commercial operations of a plant using advanced enrichment technology and with capacity of 1.0 MM SWU per year (expandable to 3.5 MM SWU per year) pursuant to the Milestones described below at the Portsmouth GDP site or the Paducah GDP site. Site selection and operation will be subject to all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations, including the National Environmental Policy Act, if applicable.
- To ensure the rapid deployment of advanced enrichment technology capacity pursuant to the Milestones set out below, DOE will not dispose
 of any real or personal property at a GDP site that may be useable for USEC's deployment of advanced enrichment technology, without first
 offering USEC the opportunity to include the property within its lease.
- The advanced technology demonstration and deployment milestones for this Agreement are:

December 2002 USEC begins refurbishment of K-1600 facility

January 2003 USEC builds and begins testing a centrifuge end cap.

April 2003 Submit License Application for Lead Cascade to NRC (sited at either Paducah or Portsmouth)

June 2003 NRC dockets Lead Cascade Application

November 2003 First rotor tube manufactured January 2005 Centrifuge testing begins

March 2005 Submit License Application to NRC for Commercial Plant (sited at either Paducah or Portsmouth)

May 2005 NRC dockets Commercial Plant application
June 2005 Begin Lead Cascade centrifuge manufacturing

October 2006 Satisfactory reliability and performance data obtained from Lead Cascade operations

January 2007 Financing commitment secured for a 1 MM SWU Centrifuge Plant

June 2007 Begin commercial plant construction/refurbishment
January 2009 Begin Portsmouth commercial plant operations, or
January 2010 Begin Paducah commercial plant operations

March 2010 Portsmouth Centrifuge Plant annual capacity at 1 million SWU per year, or March 2011 Paducah Centrifuge Plant annual capacity at 1 million SWU per year

September 2011 Portsmouth Centrifuge Plant (if expanded at USEC's option) projected to have an annual capacity at 3.5 million SWU per year, Paducah Centrifuge Plant (if expanded at USEC's option) projected to have an annual capacity at 3.5 million SWU per year.

- Prior to making a decision, public announcement, or NRC license submittal regarding the siting of either the Lead Cascade or the Commercial Plant, as referenced above, at the Portsmouth GDP site or the Paducah GDP site, USEC will consult with and coordinate with DOE.
- USEC shall prepare and submit to DOE an Advanced Enrichment Deployment Plan (the "Plan") in phases as described below. The Plan shall include a detailed description of each milestone listed above and make specific reference to the actions USEC believes are required to be taken by DOE in order to attain each milestone. Unless otherwise expressly agreed by DOE, all activities related to the development and execution of the Plan will be funded by USEC, except those that, absent the Plan, would have been DOE's responsibility (e.g., pre-privatization facility D&D). Each phase of the Plan will be submitted to a Technical Coordinating Deployment Working Group (the "Deployment Working Group") to be made up of DOE and USEC representatives. Except as provided below with respect to the Phase I Plan, within 45 days of the submission by USEC of each phase of the Plan, DOE shall respond in writing as to DOE's ability to meet the

actions requested of DOE as outlined in USEC's Plan. During this forty-five day period it is expected that there will be a dialogue between USEC and DOE to arrive at a consensus for the timing of USEC and DOE site-specific activities resulting in an agreed-upon Deployment Working Group Plan ("DWG Plan") that will be used by the Deployment Working Group to monitor milestone progress and act as a benchmark for coordinating DOE site-specific activities.

- USEC shall submit its Phase I Plan covering the milestones relating to the first twelve months after execution of this Agreement to DOE no later than June 30, 2002 and the Deployment Working Group shall reach agreement on Phase I of DWG Plan no later than July 31, 2002. USEC shall submit its Phase II Plan covering the milestones through the end of 2004 by September 30, 2002, its Phase III Plan covering the milestones through the end of 2006 by November 30, 2002 and its Phase IV Plan covering the milestones through September 2012 by January 31, 2003. The Deployment Working Group will meet periodically to consider amendments to each of these Plans as required to take account of changing circumstances, more complete information and the procedures and remedies outlined below.
- The Deployment Working Group will monitor USEC's advanced enrichment deployment activities (including demonstration activities),
 USEC's milestone progress, and coordinate DOE site-specific activities. USEC will provide DOE access to such supporting documentation,
 including progress towards meeting milestone dates, as may be needed regarding the deployment of advanced technology, including USEC's
 business plan for advanced enrichment technology.
- If DOE believes that USEC has not met a milestone set out in this Agreement, it will provide notice of that belief to USEC. If USEC is aware that it has missed, or will miss, a milestone, USEC will so notify DOE along with an explanation of the reasons for missing the milestone. In either case, USEC will have an opportunity to present to NE its position regarding compliance with the milestone date(s) and its position on whether a delay in meeting the milestone has a material impact on USEC's ability to begin commercial operations at the new plant on schedule, whether (and how) the delay can be cured, and whether USEC's delay in meeting the milestone was beyond USEC's control and without its fault or negligence. NE (within 60 days) will determine whether USEC is in compliance with the required milestone and whether a delay in meeting the milestone has a material impact on USEC's ability to begin commercial operations at the new plant on schedule.
- If NE determines that a milestone has not been met and that a delay in meeting the milestone has a material impact on USEC's ability to begin commercial operations at the new plant on schedule, NE will determine whether the delay was beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of USEC, and what, if any, action under the Agreement

should be taken by DOE. NE's determination can be appealed by USEC within 30 days to the Secretary of Energy (or designee), whose determination shall be considered to be the final agency action under this Agreement. USEC retains all remedies available to it under the Administrative Procedure Act to challenge the decision of the Secretary (or designee).

- Until such time as USEC has secured (and demonstrated to DOE) firm financing commitment(s) for the construction of a 1 MM SWU annual capacity advanced enrichment technology commercial plant and has begun construction of such plant, if USEC fails to meet a milestone and it is determined that a delay in meeting the milestone has a material impact on USEC's ability to begin commercial operations at the new plant on schedule and that the cause of the delay was beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of USEC, DOE and USEC will jointly agree to adjust the milestones as appropriate to accommodate the delaying event.
- If USEC fails to meet a milestone and it is determined that a delay in meeting the milestone has a material impact on USEC's ability to begin commercial operations at the new plant on schedule and that the cause of the delay was not beyond the control or without the fault or negligence of USEC: (1) DOE may terminate the Agreement and be relieved of obligations under it; (2) at DOE's request, USEC agrees to reimburse DOE for any increase in costs caused by expediting the decontamination and decommissioning of facilities to have been used by USEC for deployment of advanced enrichment technology (e.g., increase in overall cost relative to a budget or baseline); (3) USEC agrees to transfer to DOE royalty free exclusive rights in the field of uranium enrichment worldwide in all centrifuge intellectual property owned or controlled by USEC, either developed or background under the ORNL CRADAs; agrees to deliver to DOE copies (copying costs to be reimbursed) of all technical data necessary to further develop or practice technology covered by the transfer of IP rights which data may be subject to proprietary restrictions as appropriate; and agrees to the cancellation of any license by DOE or ORNL to USEC relating to the subject matter of the ORNL CRADAs in the field of centrifuge uranium enrichment; (4) USEC agrees, at DOE's request, to return any property leased by USEC upon which the advanced enrichment technology project was being or was intended to be constructed; and (5) except for those GDP facilities then currently operating, USEC agrees to waive its statutory exclusive right to lease the GDPs (and the implementing lease provisions) and its rights under Section 3.4(a) and 3.4(c) of the lease to have the opportunity to include GDP property in its leasehold before DOE disposes of the property (In taking any actions as a result of the preceding waivers, DOE agrees that the authorized actions for failure to meet milestone(s) as provided under this provision do not include transitioning USEC from its operation of the Paducah enrichment facilities as is provided for in the event USEC "ceases enrichment operations at Paducah"as defined in this Agreement unless there has been a determination that USEC has ceased enrichment operations at Paducah pursuant to that portion of the Agreement.)

- Once USEC has secured (and demonstrated to DOE) firm financing commitment(s) for the construction of a 1 MM SWU annual capacity advanced enrichment technology commercial plant and has begun construction of such plant, DOE's remedies described in the previous two paragraphs shall be limited to those circumstances under which USEC's gross negligence in project planning and execution is responsible for schedule delays or in the circumstance where USEC constructively or formally abandons the project. Further, if USEC has secured (and demonstrated to DOE) a firm financing commitment for the construction of a 1 MM SWU annual capacity advanced enrichment technology commercial plant and has begun construction of such plant, then any use of intellectual property rights or data transferred or delivered pursuant to the previous sentence and item #3 above by third parties for private non-governmental purposes shall be at a reasonable royalty taking into account the relative equities of the Parties. In the event USEC's gross negligence in project planning and execution is responsible for schedule delays or in the circumstance where USEC constructively or formally abandons the project after USEC has secured (and demonstrated to DOE) a firm financing commitment for the construction of a 1 MM SWU annual capacity advanced enrichment technology commercial plant and has begun construction of such plant, DOE may also recommend USEC's removal, in whole or in part, as EA under the Russian HEU Agreement.
- If USEC is no longer willing or able to proceed with the advanced enrichment technology deployment project, it must provide advance notice to DOE that it intends to abandon the project. In that event, or in the event NE determines (after USEC has had an opportunity to present its position) that USEC's failure to meet a milestone set out in the Agreement constitutes a constructive abandonment of the advanced enrichment technology deployment project, NE may take, or direct USEC to take as the case may be, any of the actions identified in (1) through (5) above. Any determination by NE is appealable to the Secretary of Energy (or designee), whose determination shall be considered to be the final agency action under this Agreement. USEC retains all remedies available to it under the Administrative Procedure Act to challenge the decision of the Secretary (or designee).

Article 4: DOE Commitments

A. Execution of Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA)

 Within thirty days of USEC's request following the execution of this Agreement, DOE agrees to authorize the execution of the CRADA(with similar terms as the expired CRADA provided such terms are not inconsistent with the terms of this Agreement) by Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) for the USEC-funded work associated with DOE-owned gas centrifuge technology. The Parties agree to work together in good faith to attempt to negotiate an expanded CRADA to address the scope of ORNL support of the entire demonstration and lead cascade projects.

B. Out -of-Specification Uranium Inventory

- Without any admission of liability, DOE agrees to replace any out-of-specification uranium hexafluoride (up to 9,550 MTU) not meeting ASTM C-787-90 for commercial natural uranium hexafluoride (the "ASTM Specification") transferred by DOE to USEC on or about June 30, 1993, April 20, 1998, and May 18, 1998 (the "Affected Inventory") as described in this provision:
 - (a) In exchange for DOE's taking title, but not custody (until processing), of DUF6 generated by USEC at the Paducah GDP¹ during USEC's fiscal years 2002 and 2003 and one-half the amount of DUF6 generated during USEC's fiscal years 2004 and 2005 for a total of up to 23.3 million KgU of DUF6 (the "Specified DUF6"), USEC agrees to operate, entirely at its cost excluding infrastructure costs (DOE will pay all site infrastructure costs, subject to the availability of appropriations), the Portsmouth Shipping and Transfer (S/T) facilities for fifteen (15) months following the date of execution of this Agreement to remove contaminants from a portion of its Affected Inventory to meet ASTM C-787-90 or produce material acceptable to USEC for use as feed material in its enrichment facility. At the end of each month, USEC will release the United States from any and all liability and claims relating to or arising from DOE's transfer of the portion of the Affected Inventory equal to the amount processed during the month that meets the ASTM specification or is accepted by USEC, subject to DOE's taking title to the DUF6 as described above. At the end of the 15-month period, USEC agrees to have released, regardless of the actual amount processed, a minimum of 2800 MTU. Such releases shall first relate to the May 18, 1998 transfer, and continue to relate next to the April 20, 1998 transfer, and then the June 30, 1993 transfer. As USEC operates the S/T facility to remove contaminants to meet the referenced ASTM standard, USEC will provide to DOE monthly reports on the technetium contamination of each cylinder of the Affected Inventory before processing, other available test data after processing and the number of cylinders processed in the S/T facility that meets the ASTM Specification or are accepted by USEC. DOE will document its taking title to the Specified DUF6 upon receipt of USEC's confirmation of the Specified DUF6 generated
- The DUF6 shall not exceed the design base criteria contained in Table 1 of the DOE RFP NO. DE-RP05-010R22717, dated October 31, 2000 Part I, Section C, IV.A. (Attachment 1). USEC will ensure that the DUF6 is placed either in new cylinders or in washed cylinders. USEC will provide DOE the data from the samples tested by USEC in accordance with its operating procedures each month for the DUF6 generated.

at the Paducah GDP each month.² DOE's obligation to take title to the Specified DUF6 is conditional on USEC's operation of the Portsmouth S/T facilities for the processing of at least 2800 MTU of its Affected Inventory for 15 months. This paragraph is the exclusive means for the replacement of at least 2800 MTU of the Affected Inventory (and any amount in excess of 2800 MTU actually processed by USEC during the 15-month period) relating to the transfers indicated above regardless of whether USEC's operation of the S/T facility removes contaminants from 2800 MTU of the Affected Inventory. The Parties acknowledge that USEC's operation of the S/T facility for 15 months and DOE's taking title to the Specified DUF6 are material obligations of this Agreement.

- (b) With respect to the Affected Inventory remaining which has not been released in accordance with (a) above, DOE will endeavor to engage relevant third parties in a discussion to determine whether USECs remaining Affected Inventory can be replaced, remedied or exchanged. In the event arrangements for the replacement of the remaining Affected Inventory are not in place by March 31, 2003, DOE agrees, subject to the availability of appropriated funds and legislative authority for this purpose, at DOE's sole option, to exchange, replace, or reimburse USEC to clean-up an amount equal to 3,293 MTU less the amount actually processed at the S/T facility to meet the ASTM Specification or accepted by USEC by March 31, 2003 (credited first to the most recent transfers). Thereafter, DOE will continue to engage third parties concerning exchange or technology solutions for the remaining affected inventory until a final transfer, subject to the availability of appropriated funds and legislative authority for this purpose. With each DOE-effectuated transfer described in this paragraph (b) above or other mutually agreeable resolution, USEC shall transfer to DOE (or a designated third party) a corresponding quantity of the Affected Inventory, and USEC shall execute a release relieving the United States of any and all liability relating to or arising from DOE's transfer of a corresponding quantity of out-of-specification uranium hexafluoride transferred by DOE to USEC in the above-referenced transfers.
- (c) This provision is subject to the availability of appropriated funds and legislative authority, and compliance with applicable law including the National Environmental Policy Act.
- All transportation, storage, waste disposal, container purchases and any incidental expenses for processing USEC's Affected Inventory under paragraph (a) shall be borne by USEC. The Parties will use the agreement found at Exhibit C of the Lease to govern the storage of up to 2 B-25 containers with dimensions of 4' x 4' x 6' of USEC-owned technetium waste generated from the processing of USEC's Affected Inventory under paragraph (a) which USEC is not authorized by law to store. All transportation and storage expenses for Paducah-generated DUF6 until such time as it has been delivered to DOE at DOE request for conversion and disposal shall be the responsibility of USEC.

- (d) The Parties agree the resolution of USEC's Affected Inventory set forth in this provision is the exclusive method for resolution of the issues and related claims regarding the Affected Inventory between the Parties.
- (e) This provision survives the termination of this Agreement so long as USEC is providing enrichment services in the United States either through the operation of (i) its existing gaseous diffusion plant in Paducah Kentucky by producing at least 1 million SWU annually for each 12-month period or (ii) a new enrichment facility in the United States based on advanced enrichment technology.

C. Accounts Payable

Having already paid approximately \$12.37 million of the claimed \$18 million in January 2002 accrued to such date, DOE commits to expediting resolution of the currently outstanding accounts payable as of the date of this Agreement.

Article 5: Miscellaneous

A. Cooperation and Consultation

The Parties recognize that the successful accomplishment of the objectives of this Agreement requires the continued cooperation and consultation of DOE and USEC. Accordingly, the Parties expect the Deployment Working Group described above to meet frequently in an effort to identify and address any issues that may impact the schedule. DOE will use all reasonable efforts to support USEC's requested DOE actions within available resources and take limitations in this regard into account when implementing the process and procedures for developing the Deployment Working Group Plan and schedule adjustment described in this Agreement. DOE and USEC shall consult with each other as necessary and appropriate to carry out the objectives of this Agreement. Further, at least once every two years the Deputy Secretary of Energy and the President and Chief Executive Officer of USEC shall meet to discuss the implementation of this Agreement.

DOE and USEC shall provide such information, execute and deliver such agreements, instruments and documents, and take such other actions, including supporting legislation, as may be reasonably necessary or required, which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Agreement and which do not involve the assumption of obligations other than those provided for in this Agreement, in order to give full effect to this Agreement and carry out its intent.

B. Force Majeure

- a. Except for defaults of USEC contractors at any tier, USEC shall not be in default because of any failure to perform its commitments under this Agreement under its terms if the failure arises from causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of USEC. Examples of these causes are (1) acts of God or the public enemy, (2) acts of the Government in its sovereign capacity (3) fires, (4) floods, (5) epidemics, (6) quarantine restrictions, (7) strikes, (8) freight embargoes, (9) earthquakes, and (10) unusually severe weather. Additionally, for purposes of this paragraph of this Agreement only, another example of a cause under which USEC shall not be in default because of any failure to perform its commitments under this Agreement if such failure arises from causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of USEC is that there has been a substantial and demonstrable increase, as reflected in official U.S. imports statistics, in U.S. imports for consumption of Russian enriched uranium, other than the material currently committed to come into the U.S. under the existing HEU Agreement, and USEC demonstrates such increase in U.S. imports for consumption has had a substantial adverse material impact on the domestic uranium enrichment industry. In each instance, the failure to perform must arise from causes and be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of USEC. "Default" includes the failure to make progress so as to endanger completion of performance of USEC's obligations under this Agreement.
- b. If the failure to perform is caused by the failure of a contractor at any tier to perform or make progress, and if the cause of the failure was beyond the control of both USEC and the contractor, and without the fault or negligence of either, USEC shall not be deemed to be in default, unless (1) the contracted supplies or services were obtainable from other sources; and (2) USEC failed to purchase these supplies or services from the other sources.
- c. In order to invoke the protections of this clause, USEC must request a determination by DOE on whether any failure to perform results from one or more of the causes in the first paragraph above. Upon the request of USEC and within sixty (60) days of USEC's submission of its position, NE will ascertain the facts and circumstances of the failure of performance upon an assertion of a circumstance triggering this clause. If NE determines that any failure to perform results from one or more of the causes in the first paragraph above, the schedule for performance of the affected commitments shall be extended for the period of the excused delay. USEC may appeal this determination within thirty (30) days to the Secretary of Energy (or designee), whose determination will be considered the final agency action under this Agreement. USEC retains all remedies available to it under the Administrative Procedure Act to challenge the decision of the Secretary (or designee).

C. Termination

DOE may terminate this Agreement and be relieved of DOE's future obligations under this Agreement if it determines that, under the standards set forth in 48 CFR 9.406-2 and 48 CFR 9.407-2 and, after taking into account the factors listed in 48 CFR 406-1, termination is in the Government's interest. In making its determination under this provision, DOE shall not be required to follow the procedures set out in 48 CFR 9.406 and 48 CFR 9.407. If DOE determines that termination may be warranted under this provision, it will provide USEC with written notice that termination is under consideration. USEC shall have an opportunity within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notice from DOE to provide its position to DOE's Director of Nuclear Energy, Science and Technology (NE). Within sixty (60) days of USEC's submission to DOE, NE shall notify USEC of his/her determination of whether DOE will determination the Agreement. NE may extend this period for good cause. USEC may appeal this determination to the Secretary of Energy (or designee) whose determination shall be considered to be final agency action under this Agreement. USEC retains all remedies available to it under the Administrative Procedure Act to challenge the decision of the Secretary (or designee).

D. Implementing Provisions

The Parties agree that, within 15 days of the execution of this Agreement, they will develop mutually acceptable implementing provisions on the following subjects which are to be incorporated into this Agreement:

- Prompt access by DOE (and designated representatives) to data and information needed to monitor compliance with terms of the Agreement.
- Terms on use and disclosure of trade secret/proprietary information.
- No impairment or modification of Executive Agent MOA.

Article 6: Binding Agreement

DOE and USEC, in consideration of the mutual promises, commitments and obligations set forth herein, agree that the obligations in this Agreement are binding on each, as well as on their successor organizations, as of this date of June 17, 2002.

/s/ Lee Liberman Otis

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