

was already required to follow. It was agreed that the DOE would maintain day-to-day operational responsibility for the decontamination and decommissioning project, and that the NRC would impose three statutory responsibilities, which were to: (1) Conduct periodic inspections; (2) approve the release criteria used; and (3) certify the final release of the Battelle site. The NRC met with DOE and the Ohio Department of Public Health on a number of occasions to ensure good communications and coordination between the respective agencies.

The NRC Safety Evaluation Report was issued in support of the license amendment. Based on this review, the NRC staff has determined that the licensee's final status surveys are adequate to demonstrate compliance with radiological criteria for license termination, and that Battelle Memorial Institute has demonstrated that the former nuclear research site's radiological condition complies with the radiological criteria for license termination. The NRC staff has reviewed the proposed amendment and has determined that the proposed termination will have no adverse effect on the public health and safety or the environment.

### III. Further Information

Documents related to this action, including the application for amendment and supporting documentation, are available electronically at the NRC's Electronic Reading Room at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. From this site, you can access the NRC's Agencywide Document Access and Management System (ADAMS), which provides text and image files of NRC's public documents. The ADAMS accession numbers for the documents related to this notice are listed in the NRC Safety Evaluation Report (Accession No. ML081210718). If you do not have access to ADAMS or if there are problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, contact the NRC Public Document Room (PDR) Reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to [pdr@nrc.gov](mailto:pdr@nrc.gov).

These documents may also be viewed electronically on the public computers located at the NRC's PDR, O 1 F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852. The PDR reproduction contractor will copy documents for a fee.

Dated at Lisle, Illinois, this 1st day of May 2008.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Patrick L. Loudon,**

*Chief, Decommissioning Branch, Division of Nuclear Materials Safety, Region III.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 70-7001 And 70-7002]

### **Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant; Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant; United States Enrichment Corporation; Notice of Request for Certificate Renewal and Opportunity for Comment**

#### **I. Receipt of Application and Availability of Documents**

Notice is hereby given that the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or the Commission) has received by letters dated April 10, 2008, applications from the United States Enrichment Corporation (USEC) for the renewal of the 10 CFR Part 76 certificates of compliance for the gaseous diffusion plants (GDPs) located near Paducah, Kentucky and Piketon, Ohio. The NRC issued the initial certificates of compliance for the GDPs on November 26, 1996 and assumed regulatory oversight for the GDPs on March 3, 1997. The GDPs were last issued renewed certificates of compliance on December 29, 2003 and those certificates expire December 31, 2008. The USEC renewal requests are for a five-year period, extending from the current expiration date of December 31, 2008 to December 31, 2013. The USEC applications for renewal do not contain any other changes to the existing Application and Safety Analysis Report. The USEC application for the renewal of the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant is based on USEC's previous application, as revised through Revision 111 dated April 4, 2008. No additional changes to the application are requested.

The USEC application for the renewal of the Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant is based on USEC's previous application, as revised through Revision 89 dated April 15, 2008. No additional changes to the application are requested.

Copies of the renewal application for certification (except for classified and proprietary portions which are withheld in accordance with 10 CFR 2.390, "Availability of Public Records") are available for inspection at NRC's Public Electronic Reading Room at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> (ML081070220 and ML081070229).

Documents may also be examined and/or copied for a fee, at the NRC's Public Document Room, located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852.

### II. Notice of Comment Period

Pursuant to 10 CFR 76.37(b), any interested party may submit written comments on the application for renewal of the certificate of compliance, for either the Paducah plant or the Portsmouth plant for consideration by the staff. To be certain of consideration, comments must be received by June 9, 2008.

Comments received after the due date will be considered, if it is practical to do so, but the Commission is able to assure consideration only for comments received on or before this date. Written comments on the application should be mailed to the Chief, Rules Review and Directives Branch, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, or may be hand delivered to 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852 between 7:45 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. Federal workdays. Comments should be legible and reproducible and include the name, affiliation (if any) and address of the comment provider. All comments received by the Commission will be made available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room located in Rockville, MD.

In addition, the NRC will conduct public meetings, in the vicinity of both GDPs, in May and June of 2008. Notice of the meetings will be posted on the NRC Web site, <http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/public-meetings/index.cfm>.

Following evaluation of USEC's applications for renewal and any public comments received, the NRC staff will issue a written Director's decision and publish notice of the decision in the **Federal Register**. Upon publication of the notice of decision, any person whose interest may be affected may then request review of the decision within 30 days, pursuant to 10 CFR 76.62(c) or 76.64(d), whichever applies.

### III. Further Information

For further information, please contact Mr. Michael G. Raddatz, at (301) 492-3108 of the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 29th day of April, 2008.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.  
**Michael F. Weber,**  
*Director, Office of Nuclear Material Safety  
 and Safeguards.*  
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## OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

### Excepted Service

**AGENCY:** U.S. Office of Personnel  
Management (OPM).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This gives notice of OPM decisions granting authority to make appointments under Schedules A, B, and C in the excepted service as required by 5 CFR 6.6 and 213.103.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** C. Penn, Group Manager, Executive Resources Services Group, Center for Human Resources, Division for Human Capital Leadership and Merit System Accountability, 202-606-2246.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Appearing in the listing below are the individual authorities established under Schedules A, B, and C between March 1, 2008, and March 31, 2008. Future notices will be published on the fourth Tuesday of each month, or as soon as possible thereafter. A consolidated listing of all authorities as of June 30 is published each year.

### Schedule A

No Schedule A appointments were approved for March 2008.

### Schedule B

No Schedule B appointments were approved for March 2008.

### Schedule C

The following Schedule C appointments were approved during March 2008.

#### *Section 213.3303 Executive Office of the President*

Office of Management and Budget

BOGS80003 Deputy to the Associate Director for Legislative Affairs. Effective March 10, 2008.

#### *Section 213.3304 Department of State*

DSGS61259 Public Affairs Specialist to the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary. Effective March 06, 2008.

DSGS69726 Protocol Officer to the Foreign Affairs Officer (Visits). Effective March 11, 2008.

DSGS61040 Staff Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Secretary. Effective March 19, 2008.

DSGS69727 Special Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Secretary. Effective March 26, 2008.

DSGS69728 Legislative Management Officer to the Deputy Assistant Secretary. Effective March 26, 2008.

#### *Section 213.3305 Department of the Treasury*

DYGS60401 Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff. Effective March 07, 2008.

DYGS60307 Senior Advisor to the Treasurer of the United States. Effective March 14, 2008.

DYGS60381 Special Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs (International). Effective March 25, 2008.

#### *Section 213.3306 Department of Defense*

DDGS17137 Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs). Effective March 06, 2008.

DDGS17138 Special Assistant to the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Asian and Pacific Security Affairs). Effective March 06, 2008.

DDGS17139 Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs). Effective March 06, 2008.

DDGS17140 Public Affairs Analyst to the Public Affairs Specialist. Effective March 06, 2008.

DDGS17142 Defense Fellow to the Special Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for White House Liaison. Effective March 07, 2008.

DDGS17141 Special Assistant for Research to the Supervisory Speechwriter. Effective March 10, 2008.

DDGS17136 Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Special Operations/Low Intensity Conflict and Interdependent Capabilities). Effective March 18, 2008.

DDGS17143 Defense Fellow to the Special Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for White House Liaison. Effective March 20, 2008.

DDGS17144 Personal and Confidential Assistant to the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller). Effective March 20, 2008.

#### *Section 213.3307 Department of the Army*

DWGS00092 Special Assistant to the General Counsel. Effective March 07, 2008.

DWGS00090 Special Assistant to the General Counsel. Effective March 10, 2008.

DWGS00095 Personal and Confidential Assistant (Installations

and Environment) to the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Installations and Environment). Effective March 14, 2008.

DWGS00096 Personal and Confidential Assistant to the Deputy Under Secretary of the Army. Effective March 14, 2008.

#### *Section 213.3308 Department of the Navy*

DNGS08115 Staff Assistant (Policy) to the Deputy Under Secretary of the Navy. Effective March 31, 2008.

DNGS08116 Staff Assistant (Policy) to the Deputy Under Secretary of the Navy. Effective March 31, 2008.

#### *Section 213.3309 Department of the Air Force*

DFGS00011 Director for Strategic Initiatives to the Assistant Secretary (Financial Management and Comptroller). Effective March 04, 2008.

DFGS60047 Financial Management Specialist to the Assistant Secretary (Financial Management and Comptroller). Effective March 04, 2008.

#### *Section 213.3310 Department of Justice*

DJGS00204 Senior Counsel to the Deputy Attorney General. Effective March 07, 2008.

DJGS00086 Senior Press Assistant to the Director, Office of Public Affairs. Effective March 14, 2008.

DJGS00081 Special Assistant to the Chairman Effective March 21, 2008.

DJGS00106 Special Assistant and Media Affairs Coordinator to the Assistant Attorney General. Effective March 21, 2008.

DJGS00318 Press Assistant to the Director, Office of Public Affairs. Effective March 21, 2008.

DJGS00084 Senior Counsel to the Assistant Attorney General Environment and Natural Resources. Effective March 26, 2008.

DJGS00082 Special Assistant to the Assistant Attorney General Environment and Natural Resources. Effective March 28, 2008.

#### *Section 213.3311 Department of Homeland Security*

DMGS00523 Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary, Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Effective March 21, 2008.

#### *Section 213.3312 Department of the Interior*

DIGS01116 Special Assistant to the Director, External and Intergovernmental Affairs. Effective March 05, 2008.