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Submitted via email: [RFI-UraniumTransfers@hq.doe.gov](mailto:RFI-UraniumTransfers@hq.doe.gov)

Dear Ms. Herman:

Strata Energy, Inc. appreciates the opportunity to provide input on the Department's management of the federal excess uranium inventory. Strata Energy is the current operator of an ISR uranium recovery facility in the State of Wyoming. Strata currently employs forty people in Wyoming. Strata is also a member of the Uranium Producers of America (UPA).

I am writing to voice Strata's full support of the recommendations in UPA's letter to your office dated April 10, 2017, in response to the Request For Information regarding effects of potential DOE transfers of excess uranium on domestic uranium mining, conversion, and enrichment industries.

Strata, like all US ISR operators, has been forced to partially curtail operations, suspend development plans and reduce staffing due to the continued weakness in the uranium markets. Contrary to recent Secretarial Determinations, the domestic uranium industry has been dealt significant harm through the indiscriminant transfer of excess uranium by DOE.



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We are now at a point where our country is importing 94 percent of the uranium needed to power our domestic nuclear reactors. Rather than compete with our industry, we encourage the Department to work with us and other stakeholders to ensure we have a stable domestic supply of uranium.

DOE following the recommendations of UPA will go a long way to help strengthen uranium markets going forward.

Regards,

Ralph Knode, CEO  
Strata Energy, Inc.