

May 23, 2013

Brothers and Sisters,

I need all of your help in contacting key officials at the Department of Energy (DOE) this afternoon, tonight, and early tomorrow morning, regarding an agreed upon extension of uranium enrichment among USEC, Exelon, TVA, and Ameren companies that would keep the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion facility, located in Western, Kentucky operational. This proposed "tails enrichment extension" would allow USEC to continue operations for at least 8 more months.

Approval of this proposed extension agreement is huge as it will delay WARN Act notices from being issued to the 1,100 workers at the Paducah site.

The proposed agreement is supported by all four parties involved, but is being held up by DOE and officials in Washington, D.C.

We need to solicit any and all Kentucky State AFL-CIO members, affiliates and allied groups, as well as the National AFL-CIO, to send emails, letters, or make phone calls ASAP to the DOE officials listed below.

Your assistance and help in getting this message out and follow-up action by our members and friends is critical!!! If an agreement is not completed by Friday afternoon, May 24, 2013, USEC is planning to begin shutting down enrichment cells, the first step in ending all operations at the Paducah facility. If this occurs, a notification to de-lease the facility from DOE could be issues as early as June 1, 2013. We desperately need an all-hands-on-deck strategy to contact DOE and tell them to protect the jobs of the 1,100 workers at the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion facility by approving the proposed extension agreement TODAY.

Thank you for your assistance with this urgent matter.

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