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# **Ur-Energy Releases 2024 Q1 Results**

**LITTLETON, CO / ACCESSWIRE / May 6, 2024 /**Ur-Energy Inc. (NYSE American:URG) (TSX:URE) (the "Company" or "Ur-Energy") has filed the Company's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2024, with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission at <u>www.sec.gov/edgar.shtml</u> and with Canadian securities authorities at<u>www.sedarplus.ca</u>.

Ur-Energy CEO, John Cash said: "Last week the U.S. Senate, following the House of Representatives action on the same bill, announced the passage by unanimous consent of a Russian Uranium Ban that will commence 90 days after it is signed, subject to certain limited waivers available until January 1, 2028. We are encouraged to see unanimous bipartisan backing of a bill that is likely to result in strong support for western suppliers of nuclear fuel components, including Ur-Energy. We believe we are in the right place at the right time to help fill the uranium supply gap and we will continue to advance production at Lost Creek and Shirley Basin and look for other opportunities to expand our U.S. based production portfolio."

#### **Lost Creek Operations**

Ramp-up continues at Lost Creek, with two additional header houses (HHs 2-6 and 2-7) coming online thus far in 2024. During Q1, we captured approximately 38,221 pounds, dried and packaged 39,229 pounds, and shipped 35,445 pounds  $U_3O_8$ . At quarter end, our inprocess inventory was approximately 80,465 pounds, our drummed inventory was 26,062 pounds, and our finished inventory at the conversion facility was 79,235 pounds  $U_3O_8$ .

## **Sales and Sales Agreements**

In April 2024, we completed a new sales agreement in addition to the two new agreements announced earlier this year. The April agreement calls for annual delivery commitments of up to 100,000 pounds  $U_3O_8$  in 2026 through 2029, a portion of which is based upon production milestones. The pricing for the sales under this agreement is a combination of an escalated fixed price, which is well above the anticipated all-in costs of production, and a market-related pricing component that is subject to an escalated floor and ceiling. Including the three agreements announced this year, we now have six sales agreements with various global nuclear purchasers with deliveries as follows:

Year	Base Quantity (U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> Pounds)		
2024	570,000		
2025	700,000		
2026	950,000		
2027	1,150,000		
2028	1,200,000		
2029	600,000		
2030	550,000		
	5,720,000		

Subsequent to quarter end, we sold 75,000 pounds  $U_3O_8$  for which we received \$4.6 million in early May. In total, we anticipate selling 570,000 pounds  $U_3O_8$ , under two contracts secured in 2022.

## **Financial Results**

As of March 31, 2024, we had cash resources of \$53.9 million, which was a decrease of \$5.8 million from the \$59.7 million balance on December 31, 2023. During the three months ended March 31, 2024, we spent \$14.5 million on operating activities, used \$0.8 million for investing activities, and generated \$9.6 million from financing activities.

## U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> Sales, Cost of Sales, and Gross Profit<sup>1</sup>

The following table provides information on our  $U_3O_8$  sales, cost of sales, and gross profit.

	Unit	2023 Q2	2023 Q3	2023 Q4	2024 Q1
U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> Pounds Sold					
Produced	lb	-	90,000	90,000	-
Purchased	lb	-	-	-	-
	lb	-	90,000	90,000	-
U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> Sales					
Produced	\$000	-	5,440	5,441	-
Purchased	\$000	-	-	-	
	\$000	-	5,440	5,441	-
U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> Price per Pounds Solo	1				
Produced	\$/Ib	-	60.44	60.46	-

Purchased	\$/lb	-	-	-	-
	\$/lb	-	60.44	60.46	
U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> Cost of Sales					
Ad valorem and severance taxes	\$000	-	53	53	-
Cash costs	\$000	-	1,674	1,674	-
Non-cash costs	\$000	-	796	797	-
Produced	\$000	-	2,523	2,524	-
Purchased	\$000	-	-	-	-
	\$000	-	2,523	2,524	-
U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> Cost per Pound Sold					
Ad valorem and severance taxes	\$/Ib	-	0.59	0.59	-
Cash costs	\$/lb	-	18.60	18.60	-
Non-cash costs	\$/lb	-	8.84	8.85	-
Produced	\$/lb	-	28.03	28.04	-
Purchased	\$/lb	-	-	-	-
	\$/lb	-	28.03	28.04	-
U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> Gross Profit					
Produced	\$000	-	2,917	2,917	-
Purchased	\$000	-	-	-	
	\$000	-	2,917	2,917	-
U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> Gross Profit per Pound Solo	I				
Produced	\$/lb	-	32.41	32.42	-
Purchased	\$/lb	-	-	-	-
	\$/lb	-	32.41	32.42	-

	%	0.0%	53.6%	53.6%	0.0%
Purchased	%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Produced	%	0.0%	53.6%	53.6%	0.0%
U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> Gross Profit Margin					

<sup>1</sup> The U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> and cost per pound measures included in the above table do not have a standardized meaning within US GAAP or a defined basis of calculation. These measures are used by management to assess business performance and determine production and pricing strategies. They may also be used by certain investors to evaluate performance.

As previously announced, the Company made the decision to ramp up operations after securing new term contracts in 2022 with initial deliveries beginning in 2023 Q3.

There were no  $U_3O_8$  sales in 2024 Q1. Our sales in 2024 are projected at 570,000 pounds  $U_3O_8$  into contracts that were put in place in 2022 when the long-term price was below \$60 per pound.

In 2023 Q3 and 2023 Q4, the average price per pound sold into term contracts was \$60.45 and the average cost per pound sold was \$28.04, which resulted in an average gross profit per pound sold of \$32.41 and an average gross profit margin of nearly 54%.

## U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> Production and Ending Inventory

The following table provides information on our production and ending inventory of  $U_3O_8$  pounds.

	Unit	2023 Q2	2023 Q3	2023 Q4	2024 Q1
U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> Production					
Pounds captured	lb	4,392	30,491	68,448	38,221
Pounds drummed	lb	-	15,759	6,519	39,229
Pounds shipped	lb	-	-	-	35,445
<u>U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> Ending Inventory</u>					
Pounds					
In-process inventory	lb	5,801	20,396	82,033	80,465
Plant inventory	lb	-	15,759	22,278	26,062

Conversion inventory - produced	lb	223,790	133,790	43,790	79,235
	lb	229,591	169,945	148,101	185,762
Value					
In-process inventory	\$000	-	-	-	-
Plant inventory	\$000	-	949	1,343	1,593
Conversion inventory - produced	\$000	6,275	3,752	1,228	3,105
	\$000	6,275	4,701	2,571	4,698
Cost per Pound					
In-process inventory	\$/lb	-	-	-	-
Plant inventory	\$/lb	-	60.22	60.28	61.12
Conversion inventory - produced	\$/Ib	28.04	28.04	28.04	39.19
Produced conversion inventory detail					
Ad valorem and severance tax	\$/lb	0.59	0.59	0.59	0.53
Cash cost	\$/lb	18.60	18.60	18.60	28.47
Non-cash cost	\$/lb	8.85	8.85	8.85	10.19
	\$/Ib	28.04	28.04	28.04	39.19

## 2024 Continuing Guidance

We have 12 drill rigs onsite, with an additional rig scheduled to commence work in early May. Drilling has advanced into HH 2-11 with completion work nearly finished in HH 2-8. Fabrication of HHs 2-8 and 2-9 is complete, and work on HHs 2-10 and 2-11 is advancing in our Casper construction shop. HH 2-8 is expected to come online in May.

While we have experienced some additional equipment and operational challenges, we are seeing more consistent drying and packaging, with 29,497 pounds  $U_3O_8$  drummed since quarter end and dryer operations keeping pace with wellfield production.

We expect 2024 production from MU2 to be between 550,000 and 650,000 pounds. We

have made two shipments of  $U_3O_8$  to the converter in 2024 and anticipate routine shipments throughout the year.

We have commitments under contracts negotiated in 2022, when the long-term price was between \$43 and \$52 per pound, for deliveries of 570,000 pounds  $U_3O_8$  in 2024 and expect to realize revenues of \$33.1 million. The contracts secured in 2022 enabled the Company to make the decision to ramp up operations at Lost Creek.

Uranium spot prices remained strong in 2024 Q1, with pricing averaging approximately \$94 per pound  $U_3O_8$  during the quarter and reaching highs above \$106 per pound  $U_3O_8$  in January. Nuclear utilities and other purchasers are back in the market, moving not only spot pricing, but term pricing as well, which increased from \$68 per pound in December 2023 to \$78 per pound  $U_3O_8$  at the end of March 2024.

As uranium prices strengthened, we have received increasing requests for proposals ("RFPs") from utilities and other global fuel buyers. We have responded to the RFPs with prices commensurate with rising market conditions including increased demand for domestically produced uranium. We completed two additional uranium sales agreements during 2024 Q1 and a third agreement subsequent to quarter end. Including the three additional agreements, our contract book now stands at a total of 5.7 million pounds  $U_3O_8$  with deliveries occurring in 2024 through 2030. Sales prices are anticipated to be profitable on an all-in production cost basis and escalate annually from initial pricing, including some market-based pricing features.

With our expanded sales contract book, and encouraging market conditions, we were pleased to announce our decision in 2024 Q1 to proceed with the buildout of a satellite facility at our wholly owned, fully permitted and licensed Shirley Basin Project in Carbon County, Wyoming. The decision will nearly double our annual permitted mine production to 2.2 million pounds  $U_3O_8$ . Work has already been initiated on the project. We have already completed the bid and award process for the fabrication of IX columns, one of the longest lead items of the project, and plan to install approximately 120 monitor wells for the first mine unit in 2024 Q2 and Q3. Major construction activities are expected to begin in 2025 and initial production is expected to commence in 2026.

We are pleased to be one of the few publicly traded companies that is commercially recovering uranium and expanding our production capacity to sell into a strengthening uranium market. As discussed, stronger prices have already enabled us to secure multi-year sales agreements with leading nuclear companies, which in turn allowed us to resume commercial production at Lost Creek and initiate construction and development activities at Shirley Basin.

We will continue to closely monitor the uranium markets, and other developments, which may affect the uranium production industry and provide the opportunity to put in place additional off-take sales contracts at pricing sufficient to justify further expansion through organic and inorganic growth.

As always, we will focus on maintaining safe and compliant operations.

## **About Ur-Energy**

Ur-Energy is a uranium mining company operating the Lost Creek *in-situ* recovery uranium facility in south-central Wyoming. We have produced and packaged approximately 2.8 million pounds  $U_3O_8$  from Lost Creek since the commencement of operations. Ur-Energy has all major permits and authorizations to begin construction at Shirley Basin, the Company's second *in situ* recovery uranium facility in Wyoming and is in the process of obtaining remaining amendments to Lost Creek authorizations for expansion of Lost Creek. Ur-Energy is engaged in uranium mining, recovery and processing activities, including the acquisition, exploration, development, and operation of uranium mineral properties in the United States. The primary trading market for Ur-Energy's common shares is on the NYSE American under the symbol "URG." Ur-Energy's corporate office is in Littleton, Colorado and its registered office is in Ottawa, Ontario.

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