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Ur-Energy Commences Operations at its Shirley Basin ISR Project, Wyoming, Advancing U.S. Uranium Production

CASPER, WY / [ACCESS Newswire](#) / April 23, 2026 / Ur-Energy Inc. (NYSE American:URG)(TSX:URE) (the "Company," "Ur-Energy" or "we"), a domestic uranium producer with ISR projects that are among the largest and lowest-cost in the United States, is pleased to announce the start of uranium mining operations at its Shirley Basin Project in Wyoming.

Operations Underway in a Historic ISR District

Uranium bearing solution is now being captured from Mine Unit 1 at Shirley Basin after the successful completion of significant construction, wellfield installation, and permitting. Uranium concentrations in recovered solutions are expected to increase over time as we further condition the wellfield, and all production circuits are brought online. We expect to transport uranium loaded resin to Lost Creek for processing this summer, subject to an additional regulatory inspection and approval.

Project Highlights and Scalability

The Shirley Basin Project enhances Ur-Energy's operational flexibility through its integration with existing infrastructure:

Capacity: Licensed annual wellfield and toll processing capacity of up to 2.0 million pounds equivalent of U_3O_8 .

Resource Base: Measured and Indicated mineral resources totaling approximately 9.1 million pounds U_3O_8 at an average grade of 0.22% e U_3O_8

Mine Life: Anticipated mine life of approximately nine years across three shallow mining units.

Operational Synergy: Uranium is captured on ion exchange resin and transported to the Company's Lost Creek facility for final processing, drying, and packaging.

This milestone marks the successful transition of the Company's second in situ recovery ("ISR") mine from development to initial operations and represents a significant expansion of Ur-Energy's U.S. uranium production capacity. Our Shirley Basin Project is situated in the Shirley Basin district, widely recognized as the birthplace of ISR mining, is now returning to active operations under Ur-Energy's stewardship. With new production anticipated from Shirley Basin, Ur-Energy is well positioned to contribute to growing global uranium demand

amid a nuclear energy renaissance.

Matt Gili, CEO and President, commented: "Launching initial operations marks a pivotal achievement in Ur-Energy's growth strategy and plan to expand U.S. uranium production capacity. Two years ago, we committed to building out this project. Today, we have successfully brought a historically significant uranium district back to life, demonstrating disciplined execution of our strategy. This accomplishment reflects the dedication and expertise of our teams, who have advanced Shirley Basin from development to operations. It is particularly meaningful as it supports the growing need for secure, domestic uranium supply and underscores our ability to move permitted projects toward production while strengthening our role in the U.S. nuclear fuel cycle."

Shirley Basin Plant - Ion Exchange Columns (April 16, 2026)



Qualified Persons

Benjamin J. Schiffer, P.G., and Ray B. Moores, P.E., of Western Water Consultants, Inc., d/b/a WWC Engineering (WWC), Qualified Persons as defined by Subpart 1300 of Regulation S-K, 17 C.F.R. §229.1300 et seq., and Canadian National Instrument 43-101, have reviewed the technical disclosures in this press release, including the references to our mineral resource estimates.

About Ur-Energy

Ur-Energy is a uranium mining company operating the Lost Creek ISR uranium facility in south-central Wyoming and the Shirley Basin ISR project in central Wyoming, which has produced nearly 3.5 million pounds of U_3O_8 since the commencement of operations. We initiated operations at Shirley Basin, the Company's second ISR uranium project, in April 2026. The combined total annual licensed production and toll processing capacity of Lost Creek and Shirley Basin is 4.2 million pounds U_3O_8 .

Ur-Energy is engaged in uranium 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 common shares also trade on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol "URE." Ur-Energy's corporate headquarters is in Casper, Wyoming and its registered office is in Ottawa, Ontario.

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