Uranium Energy Corp. and UEX Corp. Announce Amendment to the Arrangement Agreement; Special Meeting of UEX Securityholders will Remain on Tuesday, August 9, 2022

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More than 38% of eligible UEX securities have already been tendered, as of this press release, with 93.4% voting in favour of the UEC transaction

<u>Uranium Energy Corp.</u> (NYSE American: UEC) (the "Company" or "UEC") and UEX Corporation (TSX: UEX) "UEX" are pleased to announce that they have entered into an amending agreement (the "Amending Agreement") to the previously announced arrangement agreement dated June 13, 2022, as amended June 23, 2022, among UEX, UEC and the UEC 2022 Acquisition Corp., pursuant to which UEC will acquire all of the issued and outstanding common shares of UEX ("UEX Shares") by way of a statutory plan of arrangement (the "Arrangement") under the Canada Business Corporations Act (the "Transaction").

Under the terms of the Amending Agreement, holders of UEX Shares ("UEX Shareholders") will now receive 0.0890 of one common share of UEC (a "UEC Share") for each UEX Share held, implying consideration of approximately C\$0.49 per UEX Share based on the closing price of UEX Shares and UEC Shares on the Toronto Stock Exchange and the NYSE American Exchange, respectively, and the spot exchange rate as of August 5, 2022. The Amending Agreement also increases the termination fee (to be paid by UEX to UEC if the Transaction is terminated in certain specified circumstances) by 7%, which is an increase proportional to the percentage increase in the offered exchange ratio under the Amending Agreement. Other than the foregoing, the terms of the Transaction remain unamended.

Amir Adnani, President and CEO of UEC, commented: "We are pleased to have come to an agreement with UEX and look forward to completing this Transaction following the UEX Shareholder vote tomorrow. As mentioned previously, the acquisition is expected to double UEC's uranium resources¹ at only 14.2% dilution to existing UEC Shareholders. Completion of this Transaction will create the largest, diversified North American focused uranium company with 100% unhedged production. Roger Lemaitre and the UEX team have done a remarkable job assembling and advancing a highly prospective portfolio and UEC is looking forward to working with their experienced Canadian team to unlock additional value for shareholders."

Roger Lemaitre, President and CEO of UEX, commented: "We look forward to tomorrow's Meeting where shareholders will have the opportunity to vote on the amended UEC-UEX arrangement. We believe the combined companies will become the 'go-to' name in the uranium industry. The combined company would be unique, possessing a strong balance sheet, near-term production capacity at the Wyoming and Texas Hubs, a solid long-term uranium production pipeline, the ability to continue to grow its resource base through continued exploration in the Athabasca Basin and its U.S. properties, and the opportunity to extract additional value by holding one of the largest property portfolios in the industry."

The terms of the Amending Agreement were agreed following receipt by UEX of a competing acquisition proposal on July 28, 2022 for all of the issued and outstanding UEX Shares.

Board of Directors' Recommendations

The Amending Agreement has been unanimously approved by the Board of Directors of UEX who continue to recommend that UEX Shareholders and holders of options and restricted share units of UEX (collectively, the "UEX Securityholders") vote in favour of the Transaction. The Amending Agreement has also been unanimously approved by the Board of Directors of UEC.

Transaction Conditions and Timing

Full details of the Transaction are included in the management information circular of UEX dated July 8,

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2022 (the "Circular"). The Transaction will be subject to the approval of at least (i) 66 2/3% of the votes cast by UEX Shareholders, and (ii) 66 2/3% of the votes cast by UEX Securityholders, voting together as a single class, at the special meeting of UEX Securityholders which will continue to be held on Tuesday, August 9, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. (Vancouver time) at the Metropolitan Hotel, 645 Howe Street, Vancouver, British Columbia (the "Meeting").

If the UEX Securityholders approve the Arrangement at the Meeting, it is currently anticipated that the Arrangement will be completed in by mid-August, subject to obtaining court approval, stock exchange approval and certain required regulatory approvals, as well as the satisfaction or waiver of other conditions contained in the Arrangement Agreement.

On completion of the Arrangement, former UEX Shareholders are expected to hold approximately 14.2% of the outstanding UEC Shares (based on the issued and outstanding UEC Shares as of the date hereof).

None of the securities to be issued pursuant to the Transaction have been or will be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "U.S. Securities Act"), or any state securities laws, and any securities issuable in the Transaction are anticipated to be issued in reliance upon available exemptions from such registration requirements pursuant to Section 3(a)(10) of the U.S. Securities Act and applicable exemptions under state securities laws. This press release does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities.

UEX Securityholders who have questions regarding the Transaction should contact Laurel Hill Advisory Group by telephone at 1-877-452-7184 (North American Toll Free) or 1-416-304-0211 (Outside North America), or by email at assistance@laurelhill.com.

About Uranium Energy Corp

Uranium Energy Corp. is America's leading, fastest growing, uranium mining company listed on the NYSE American. UEC is a pure play uranium company and is advancing the next generation of low-cost, environmentally friendly In-Situ Recovery (ISR) mining uranium projects. The Company has two production ready ISR hub and spoke platforms in South Texas and Wyoming, anchored by fully licensed and operational processing capacity at the Hobson and Irigaray plants. UEC also has seven U.S. ISR uranium projects with all of their major permits in place. Additionally, the Company has other diversified holdings of uranium assets, including: (1) one of the largest physical uranium portfolios of U.S. warehoused U₃O₈; (2) a major equity stake in the only royalty company in the sector, Uranium Royalty Corp.; and (3) a pipeline of resource-stage uranium projects in Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico and Paraguay. The Company's operations are managed by professionals with a recognized profile for excellence in their industry, a profile based on many decades of hands-on experience in the key facets of uranium exploration, development and mining.

About UEX Corporation

UEX is a Canadian uranium and cobalt exploration and development company involved in an exceptional portfolio of uranium projects. UEX's directly-owned portfolio of projects is located in the eastern, western and northern perimeters of the Athabasca Basin, the world's richest uranium region which in 2020 accounted for approximately 8.1% of the global primary uranium production. In addition to advancing its uranium development projects through its ownership interest in JCU, UEX is currently advancing several other uranium deposits in the Athabasca Basin which include the Paul Bay, Ken Pen and ?rora deposits at the Christie Lake Project, the Kianna, Anne, Colette and 58B deposits at its currently 49.1%-owned Shea Creek Project, the Horseshoe and Raven deposits located on its 100%-owned Horseshoe-Raven Project and the West Bear Uranium Deposit located at its 100%-owned West Bear Project.

Additional Information

Full details of the amendment are set out in the Amending Agreement, which will be filed by UEX under its profile on SEDAR at www.sedar.com and UEC under its profiles on SEDAR at www.sedar.com and EDGAR at www.sec.gov. In addition, further information regarding the Arrangement has been shared in the Circular prepared in connection with the Meeting and filed on UEX's profile on www.sedar.com. All UEX Securityholders are urged to read the Amending Agreement and the Circular, as they will contain additional important information concerning the Arrangement

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This news release includes certain "Forward?Looking Statements" within the meaning of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and "forward?looking information" under applicable Canadian securities laws. These forward?looking statements or information relate to, among other things: the ability of UEC and UEX to satisfy the other conditions to, and to complete the Arrangement; and the anticipated timing of closing of the Arrangement.

These statements reflect the parties' respective current views with respect to future events and are inherently subject to significant business, economic, competitive, political and social uncertainties and contingencies. Such factors include, the synergies expected from the Arrangement not being realized; business integration risks; fluctuations in general macro?economic conditions; fluctuations in securities markets and the market price of UEC Shares; fluctuations in the spot and forward price of uranium or certain other commodities (such as natural gas, fuel oil and electricity); fluctuations in the currency markets (such as the Canadian dollar and the U.S. dollar); changes in national and local government, legislation, taxation, controls, regulations and political or economic developments in Canada and the United States; operating or technical difficulties in connection with mining or development activities; risks and hazards associated with the business of mineral exploration, development and mining (including environmental hazards and industrial

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accidents); risks relating to the credit worthiness or financial condition of suppliers, refiners and other parties with whom the parties do business; inability to obtain adequate insurance to cover risks and hazards; and the presence of laws and regulations that may impose restrictions on mining, availability and increasing costs associated with mining inputs and labour; the speculative nature of mineral exploration and development, including the risks of obtaining necessary licenses, permits and approvals from government authorities; title to properties; and the factors identified under the caption "Risk Factors" in UEC's Form 10K and under the caption "Risk Factors" in UEX's Annual Information Form.

In addition, the failure of UEX to comply with the terms of the Amending Agreement may result in UEX being required to pay a termination fee to UEC, the result of which could have a material adverse effect on UEX's financial position and results of operations and its ability to fund growth prospects and current operations. Although the UEX has attempted to identify important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially, there may be other factors that cause results not to be anticipated, estimated or intended. The parties do not intend, and do not assume any obligation, to update these forward?looking statements or information to reflect changes in assumptions or changes in circumstances or any other events affecting such statements or information, other than as required by applicable law.

Subject to the completion of technical report summaries by UEC following closing of the proposed acquisition of UEX.

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