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April 10, 2003

USA

- Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol U.S. ENERGY CORP. USEG
- 3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
- 4. Statement for Month/Year December 31, 2002
- 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
- 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) (X) Director () 10% Owner (X) Officer (give title below) () Other (specify below) PRESIDENT
- 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 - (X) Form filed by One Reporting Person
 - () Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I Non-Derivativ	e Securiti	es Acquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficially	y Owned
1. Title of Security	Transa	3. 4.Securities A ction or Disposed	of (D)	Securities Beneficially Owned at
\$.01 Par Value Common	n S N/A	NONE 	N/A 	1,774
\$.01 Par Value Common	i i	NONE	N/A 	8,820
\$.01 Par Value Common	n S N/A		N/A 	6,000
\$.01 Par Value Common		A 3,984	N/A 	35,438
\$.01 Par Value Common tock		A 15,214 	N/A 	121,043
\$.01 Par Value Common	n S N/A	NONE	N/A 	1,500

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			rity	Date	Code	e V	7	Amount	ble	1	1			
Stock	- Option	- (Riaht	+1\$2.875/\$	- sIN/A	1	-	1		- 12/0	_ 04109/25	Common	Stock	134,782	- N/2
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Stock	Option	(Right	t \$2.00/sh	n N/A				 	12/0	04 09/25	Common	Stock	52 , 718	N/
			t \$2.40/sh	n N/A		1	1	1	01/1	0 01/09	Common	Stock	309,400	
Stock	Option	(Right	t \$3.90/sh	n N/A		1	1	1	12/0	7 12/06	Common	Stock	100,000	N/A
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- Consists of shares subject to forfeiture. The shares are deemed "earned out" by the Reporting Person: (i) if
- he is continuously employed by USEG until he retires; (ii) if he becomes disabled; (iii) upon his death, or (iv) if the
- shares are claimed within three years following the occurrence of (i), (ii) or (iii).
- Consists of shares indirectly held by the Reporting Person as Custodian for his minor children under the
- Wyoming Uniform Transfer to Minors Act. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial and pecuniary interest in these

shares.

- Consists of shares held in the U.S. Energy Corp. Employee Stock Ownership Plan (the "ESOP") in an account
- established for the benefit of the Reporting Person. The transaction date (12/31/02) reflects USEG's fiscal year
- end date, which date is used to determine the total number of shares contributed to the ESOP, however, the
- individual contribution amounts are not available until after audit of the company's payroll.
- Consists of shares held in ESOP accounts established to benefit members of the Reporting Person's
- "immediate family" as that term is defined in Rule 16a-1(e), in accordance with Rule 16a-8(b)(2). The transaction
- date (12/31/02) reflects USEG's fiscal year end date, which date is used to determine the total number of shares
- contributed to the ESOP, however, the individual contribution amounts are not

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available until after audit of the company's payroll.

- (e) Consists of shares held directly by three minor children of the Reporting Person.
- (f) Stock options granted under the Issuer's 1998 Incentive Stock Option Plan, and exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- (g) Stock options granted under the Issuer's 2001 Incentive Stock Option Plan, and exempt under Rule 16b-3.

The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial and pecuniary interest in the shares reported under footnotes b, d and $\,$

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON /s/ Keith G. Larsen

DATE

April 9, 2003