

# Uranium Markets – December 2009

## Monthly Market Update

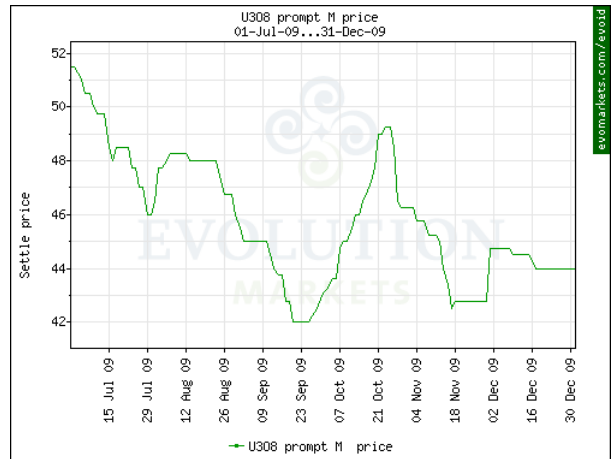
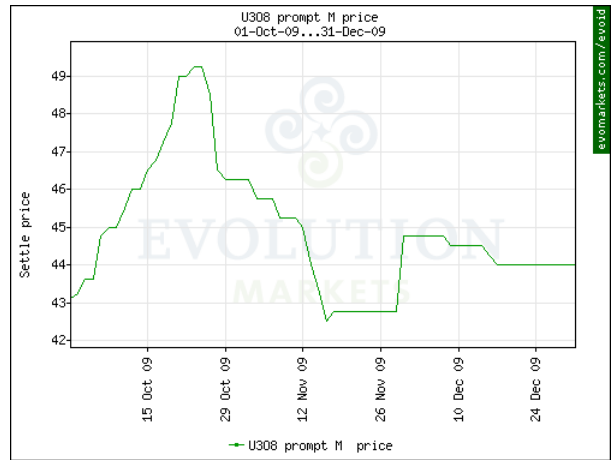
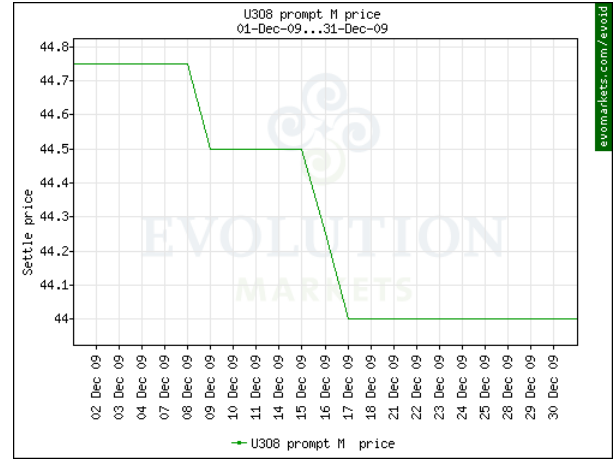
### Market Activity » Annual Allowances

The month of December saw the pricing of U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> decline slightly and then hold steady for most of the month. Beginning of the month pricing started out in the low \$40s with mid-market U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> trading around \$44.25/lb. Mid-month pricing for U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> fell slightly to around \$43.50/lb, as supply-side pressure increased slightly due to the Department of Energy (DOE) material entering the marketplace. At the end of December, U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> pricing was fairly stagnant on low volume, priced at around \$43.50 as markets remained dormant for the rest of the month.

The UF<sub>6</sub> market also experienced a slight fall congruent to the U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>'s market pricing. At the start of December, UF<sub>6</sub> transacted around the \$120.00 level, mid-month pricing declined to around \$116.00, and at the end of this month, UF<sub>6</sub> settled around the \$117.00 level, in line with U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> prices. Conversion prices have declined slightly and have come to rest at the \$5.00-\$5.50 level this month.

In other news, the DOE has reportedly sold the first tranche of UF<sub>6</sub> they were looking to put on the market via USEC, for December delivery, in one lot of around 200,000kgU.

▼ TERM	▼ BID	▼ OFFER
January '10	\$42.50	\$45.50
February '10	\$43.00	\$45.50



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