



Orano USA appoints Kathleen Himer as Chief Financial Officer

BETHESDA, Md., May 5, 2026 – Orano USA announces the appointment of Kathleen Himer as Chief Financial Officer (CFO), effective March 30, 2026. Himer reports to Chief Executive Officer and President Jean-Luc Palayer and is based in the company's Oak Ridge, Tennessee, office.

Her responsibilities include leading and shaping the financial management operations of Orano USA, Orano Enrichment USA, and Orano Federal Services.

Himer joins the company at a key moment as Orano progresses through milestones in its \$5 billion development of the Project IKE uranium enrichment facility in Oak Ridge and targets national growth across its nuclear energy and federal services business lines.



"I am pleased to welcome Kathleen to Orano at a dynamic time in our company and in the American nuclear energy industry," said Jean-Luc Palayer, CEO, Orano USA. "Along with her global P&L experience, I am impressed with Kathleen's abilities for leading significant transformation and value creation through strategic planning, system implementations, and organization and functional alignment. She brings the right combination of financial leadership and knowledge that Orano needs as we advance on our commitments and opportunities."

Prior to joining Orano, Himer served as a consulting Chief Financial Officer and National Industry Lead for Professional Services Organizations at CLA (CliftonLarsonAllen), overseeing outsourced finance functions and advising energy-sector clients. She also served as CFO and CEO of Akuo Energy USA, leading the company's U.S. operations, strategy, and financial management. In addition, she worked at ExoAnalytic Solutions during its early growth phase, serving as Director of Accounting for the Southern California defense contractor, which was later acquired by Anduril.

Himer is a Certified Public Accountant and holds both a Master of Professional Accountancy (MAcc) and a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from Brigham Young University.

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About Orano USA: Based in Bethesda, MD, with global headquarters in Paris, France, Orano is a leading technology and services provider for the commercial and federal nuclear industries. The company specializes in uranium mining/conversion/enrichment, used nuclear fuel management and recycling, federal site clean-up and closure, and developing nuclear medicines to fight cancer.

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