## **Electronic Supporting Information**

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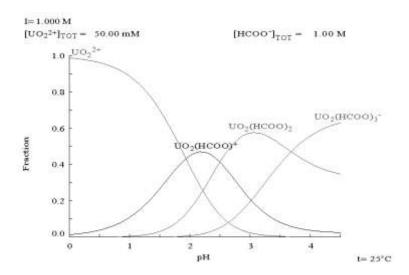


Figure S1 Speciation of the uranyl(VI) formate under present experimental condition using thermodynamic data of Magon, L.; Portanova, R.; Zarli, B.; Bismondo, A.: On the coordination of uranyl(VI) with monocarboxylate anions, *Journal of Inorganic and Nuclear Chemistry* **1972**, 34, 1971-1976. The dataset are for 20°C but the speciation calculation here was performed for 25°C.

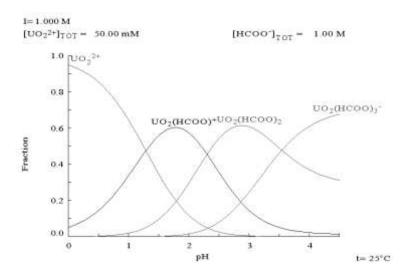


Figure S2 Speciation of the uranyl(VI) formate under present experimental condition using thermodynamic data of Martell, A. E.; Smith, R. M.; Motekaitis, R. J.: *NIST critically selected stability constants of metal complexes database*, Version 5.0, U.S. Department of Commerce, Gaithersburg, MD, U.S.A.

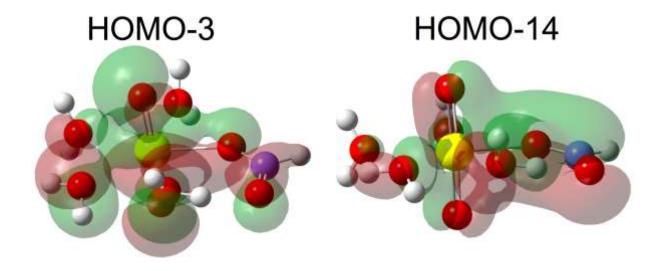


Figure S3 The Kohn-Sham frontier molecular orbitals of uranyl(VI) formate 1:1 uni complex. There are two  $\pi$  interactions between uranyl(VI) and formate in this complex which involve both uranyl  $\sigma_u$  and  $\pi_g$  orbitals.

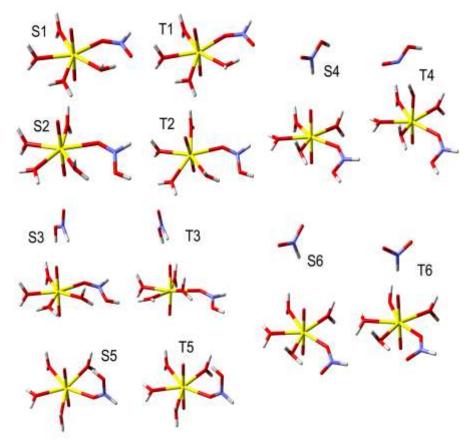


Figure S4 Structures of ground state (S1–S6) and lowest–lying triplet state (T1–T6) of six models used in this study.