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Mr. Paul H. Lohaus, Director
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Dear Mr. Lohaus:

I need clarification on the classification of certain process waste. Is the radioactive waste from a plant that converts U_3O_8 to UO_2 considered to be 11.e.(2) waste or source material waste and therefore low-level radioactive waste? Similarly, is the radioactive waste from a UO_2 to uranium fluoride conversion facility 11.e.(2) waste or low-level radioactive waste?

Is the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission aware of any conventional uranium mill or in situ recovery facility that ever processed beyond the U_3O_8 stage?

Thank you for assistance in providing this information.

Sincerely,

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