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Mr. Michael Lamastra Licensing Section 2, Licensing Branch Div. of Fuel Cycle Safety and Safeguards, MMSS U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555-001

Re:

SUB-526

Docket 40-3392

Dear Mr. Lamastra:

This letter is to advise you that we are in the process of revising the uranium ore concentrate sampling method utilized in our Sampling Plant. Reliable and accurate analytical sampling methods are required to meet our contract commitments with each uranium supplier and utility customer.

The new sampling method, called the "Auger Sampling System" will replace the "Falling Stream System" currently in use. The new sampling system will meet our customer analytical requirements, and will reduce sampling time for each drum of material. We also anticipate a significant reduction in employee radiation exposure because the samples will be removed from each drum without emptying and refilling the drum as is currently practiced with the "Falling Stream Method".

We will revise our description of this sampling process prior to renewal of our current license application.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. J. E. Honey or Mr. R. W. Yates.

Sincerely,

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