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Dr. Quinn:

Thank you for depositing the Trochid types in the USNM collections. I have annotated the enclosed invoice to show the USNM numbers assigned. I also reunited another paratype (USNM 359408, Lamellitrochus carinatus) with its fellows. But, in going over the material returned and the invoice, I have several questions.

I cannot seem to find USNM 500237 listed on your invoice; do you remember what species you assigned it to? Also, I have circled several lots on the your invoice that I did not receive – 2 lots of Lamellitrochus inceratus paratypes and the Solariella quadricincta holotype. I assigned them USNM numbers anyway. This was quite a complex return; I'm having fun getting everything in order. The newly designated types are all in the incipient type collection awaiting publication. Don't forget to send me copies of the reprint so I can finish cataloguing everything and install them all in the collection. I'm generating new labels for the split lots.

I tracked down the paperwork on the Sequenzia and Basilissa types. They were indeed returned, but in June of 1984. Unfortunately, these specimens went through quite a few hands - there were 3 different sets of initials on the invoices, and Jue Rosewater was alleged to have them in his office. I cannot seem to locate them in the Division now, so I have changed the pink slips in the collection to reflect their "missing in action" status? Did you borrow them again after 1984? Would you have any idea who might have handled the return? I found the Calliostoma material you refer to but they were received in 1988. (This was the material you found in the range in June!)

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Diane Tyler had started the paperwork on this, and I have also enclosed the invoice copies which should have been returned to you then. Can you send me the reprints for this material? I have it in my office now and figure I will clean up as much of it as I can; but again I need a reprint to finish cataloguing the types.

I hope I've covered everything. Looking forward to hearing from you soon. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

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