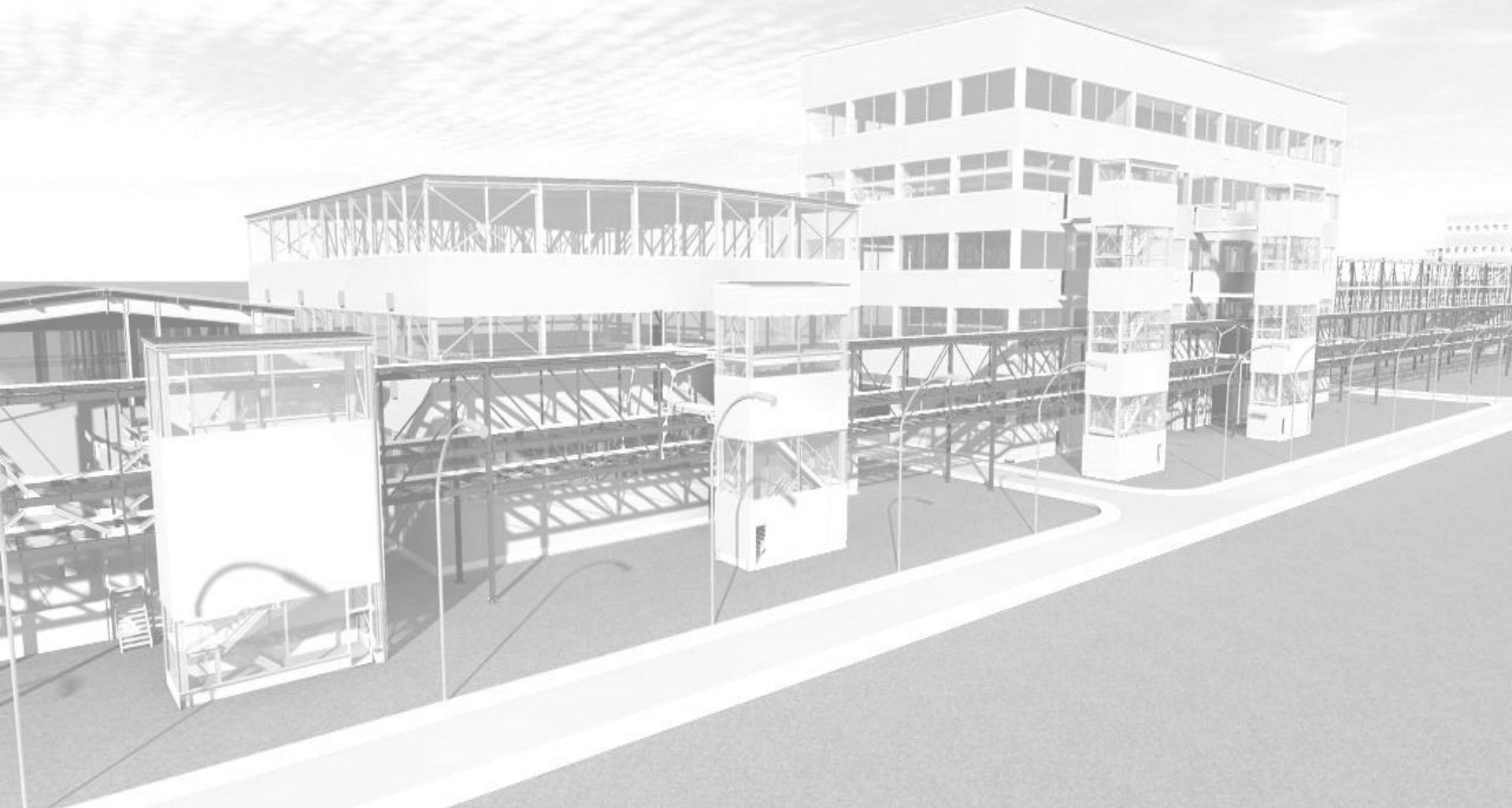


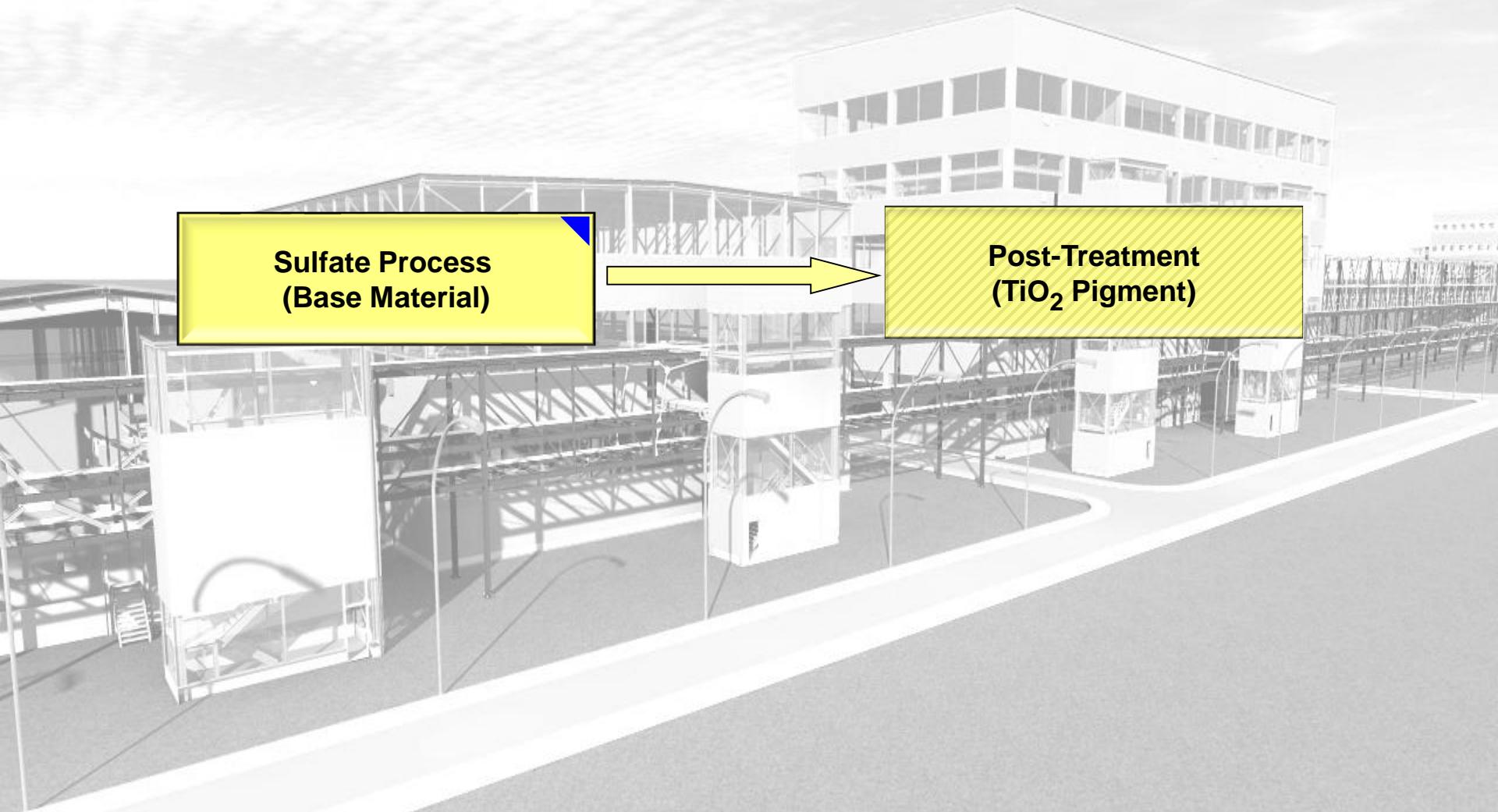
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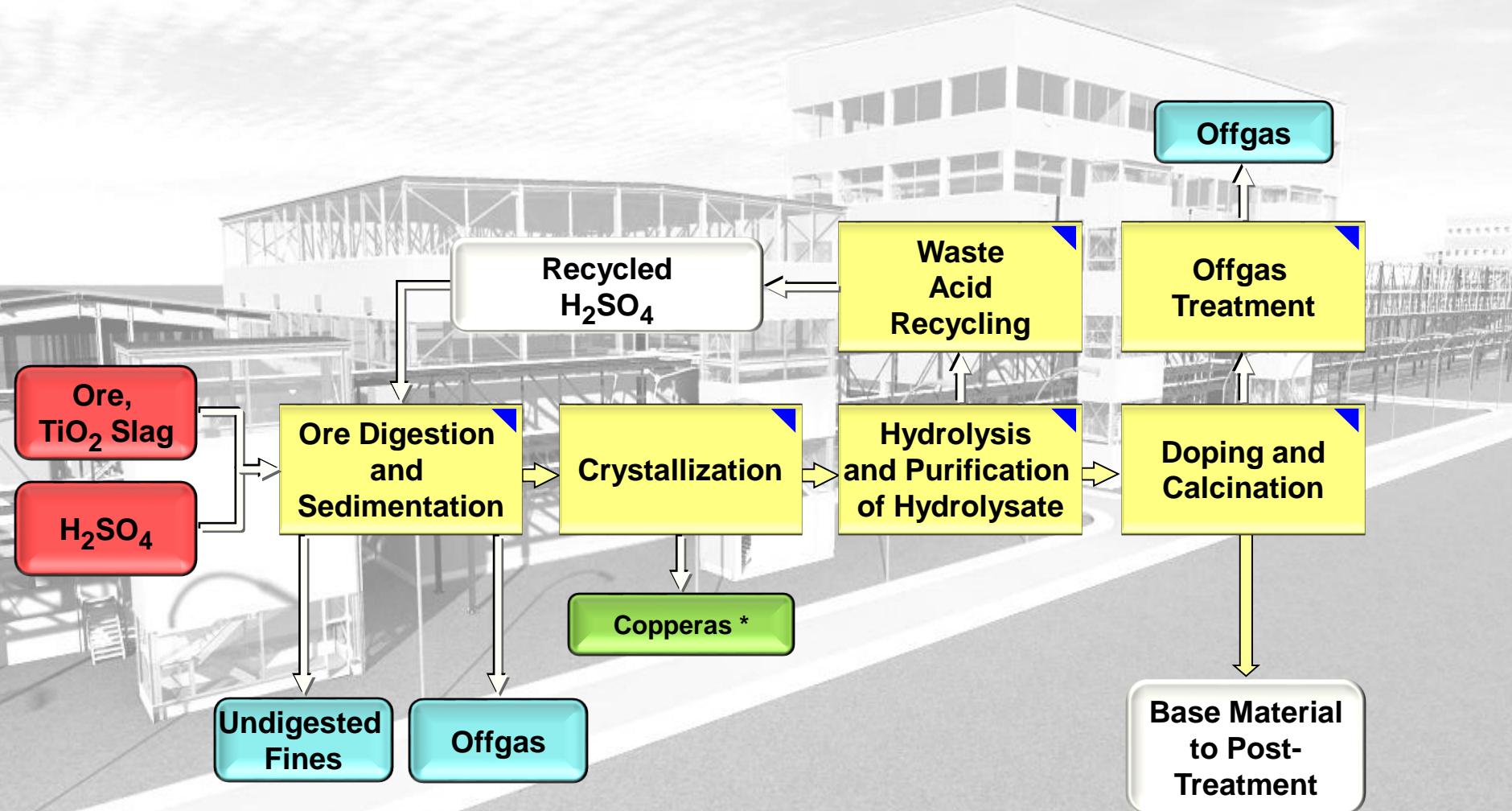
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# General Process

TiO<sub>2</sub> Sulfate Process



# Overview



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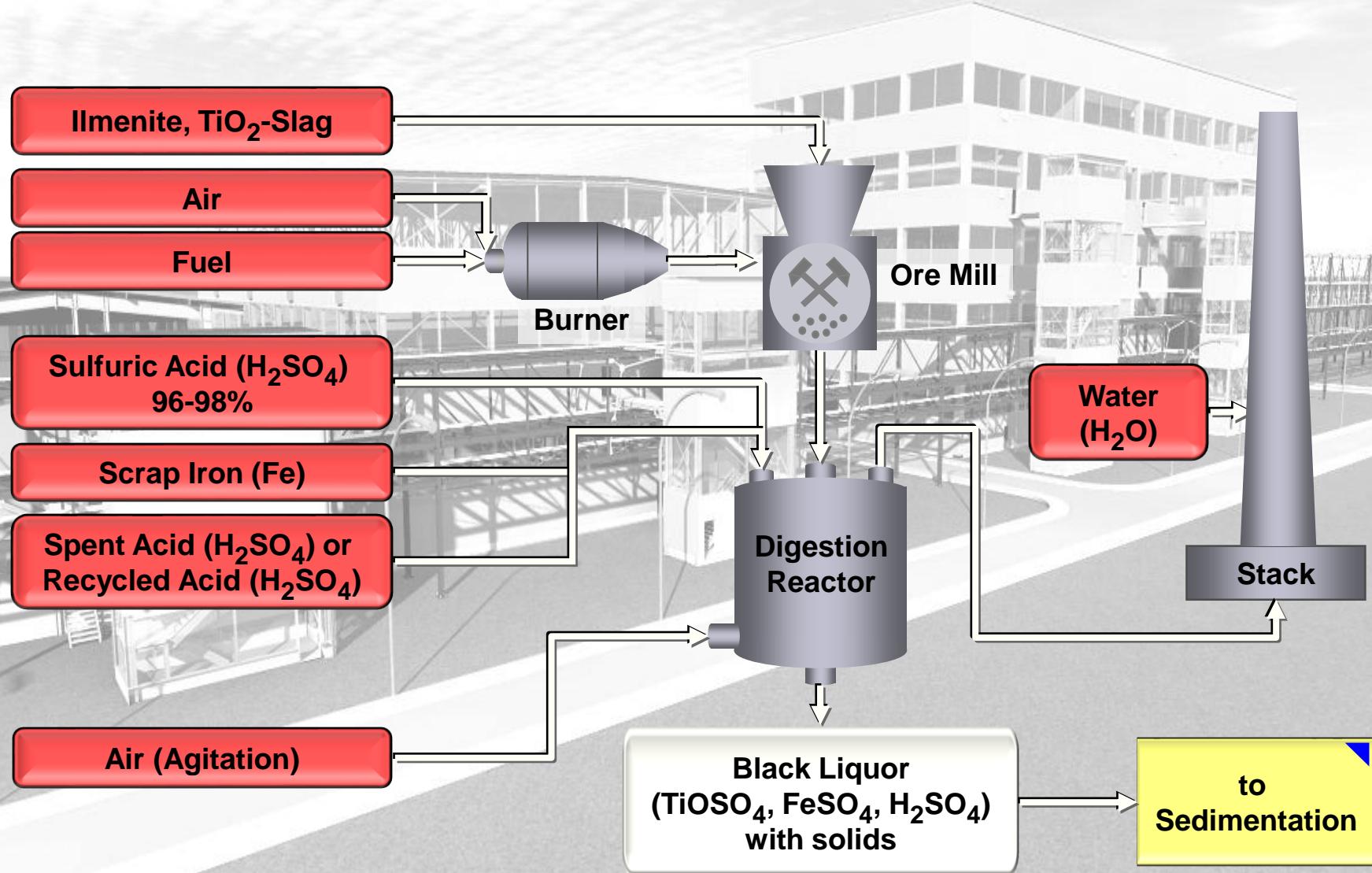
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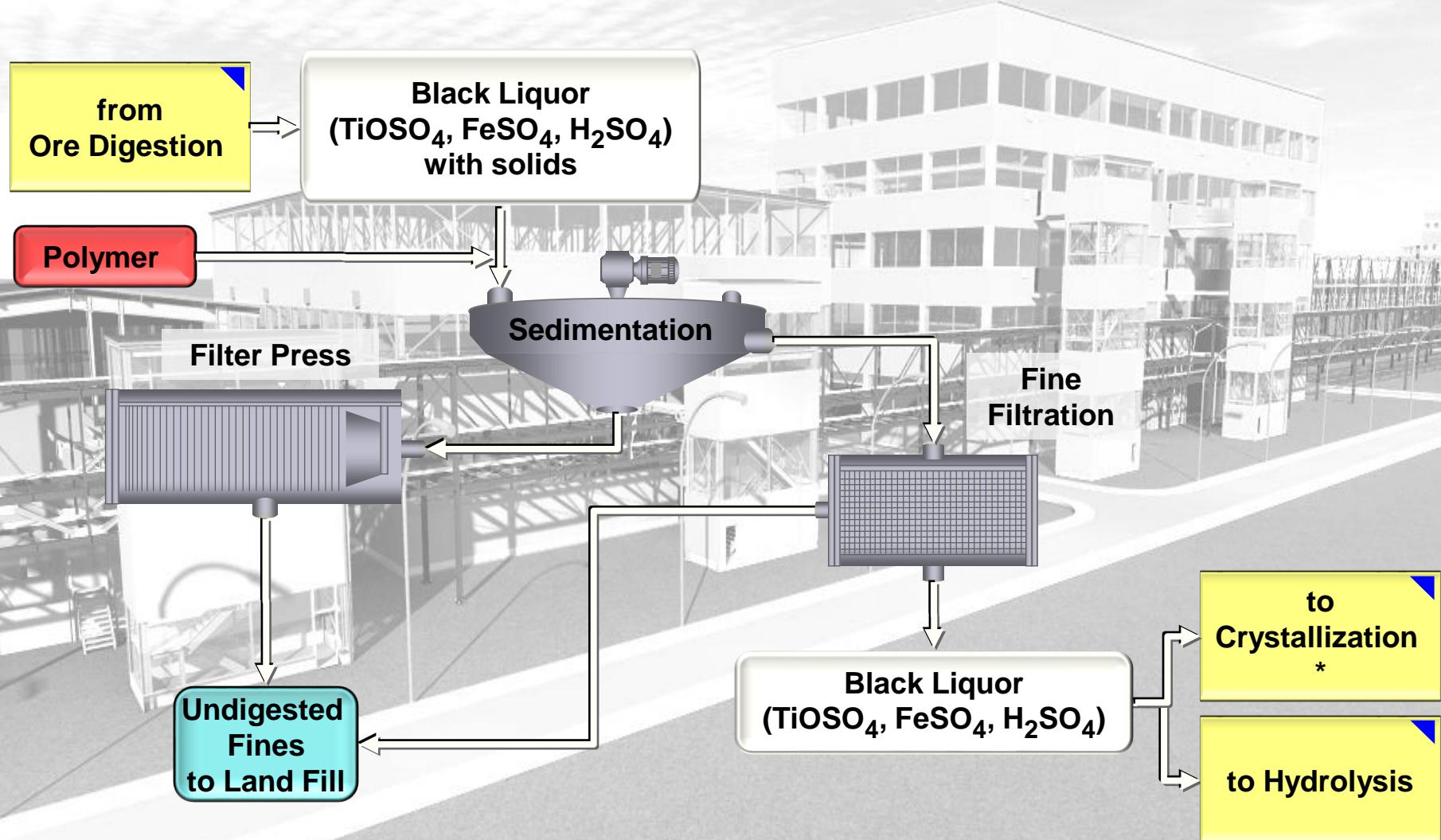
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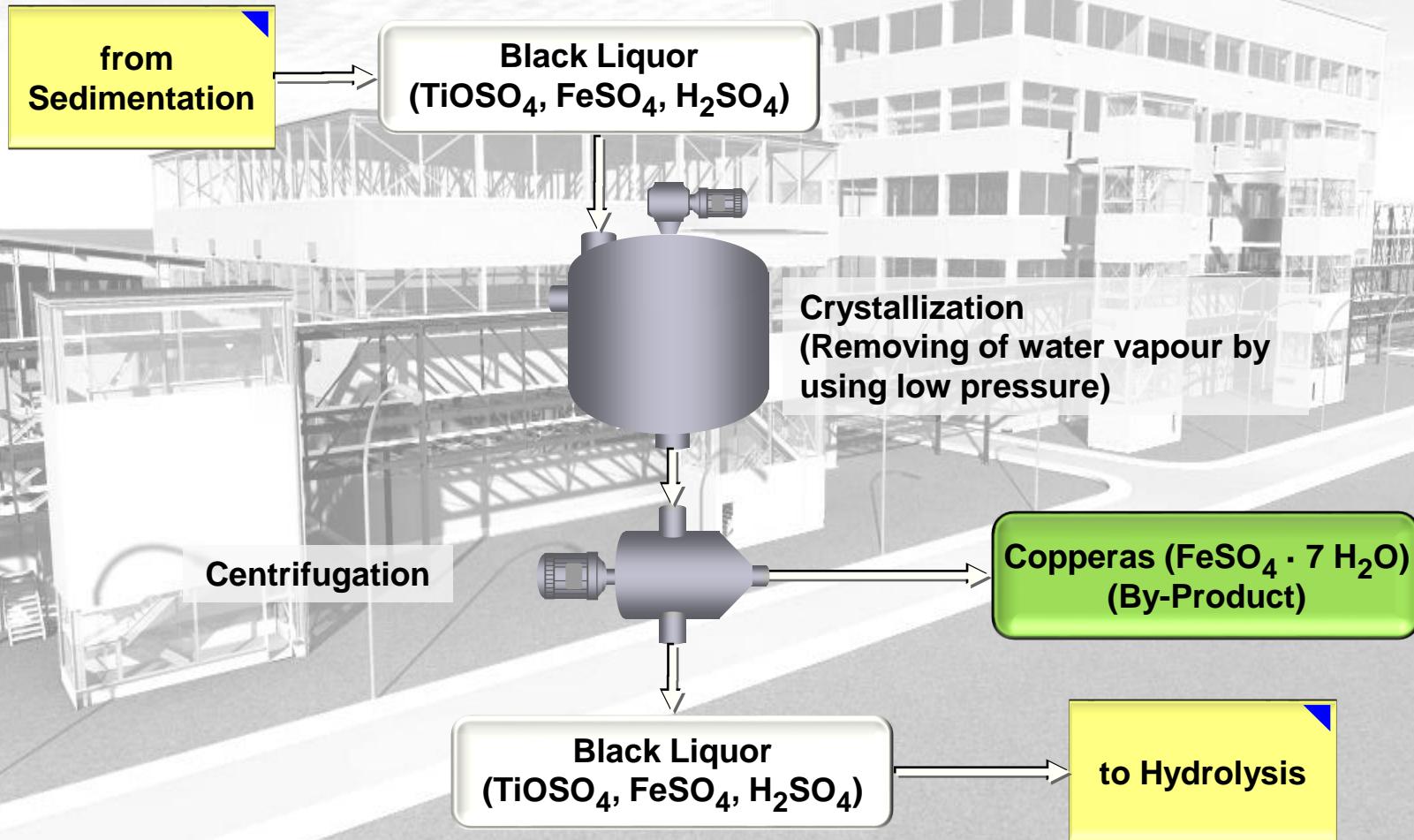
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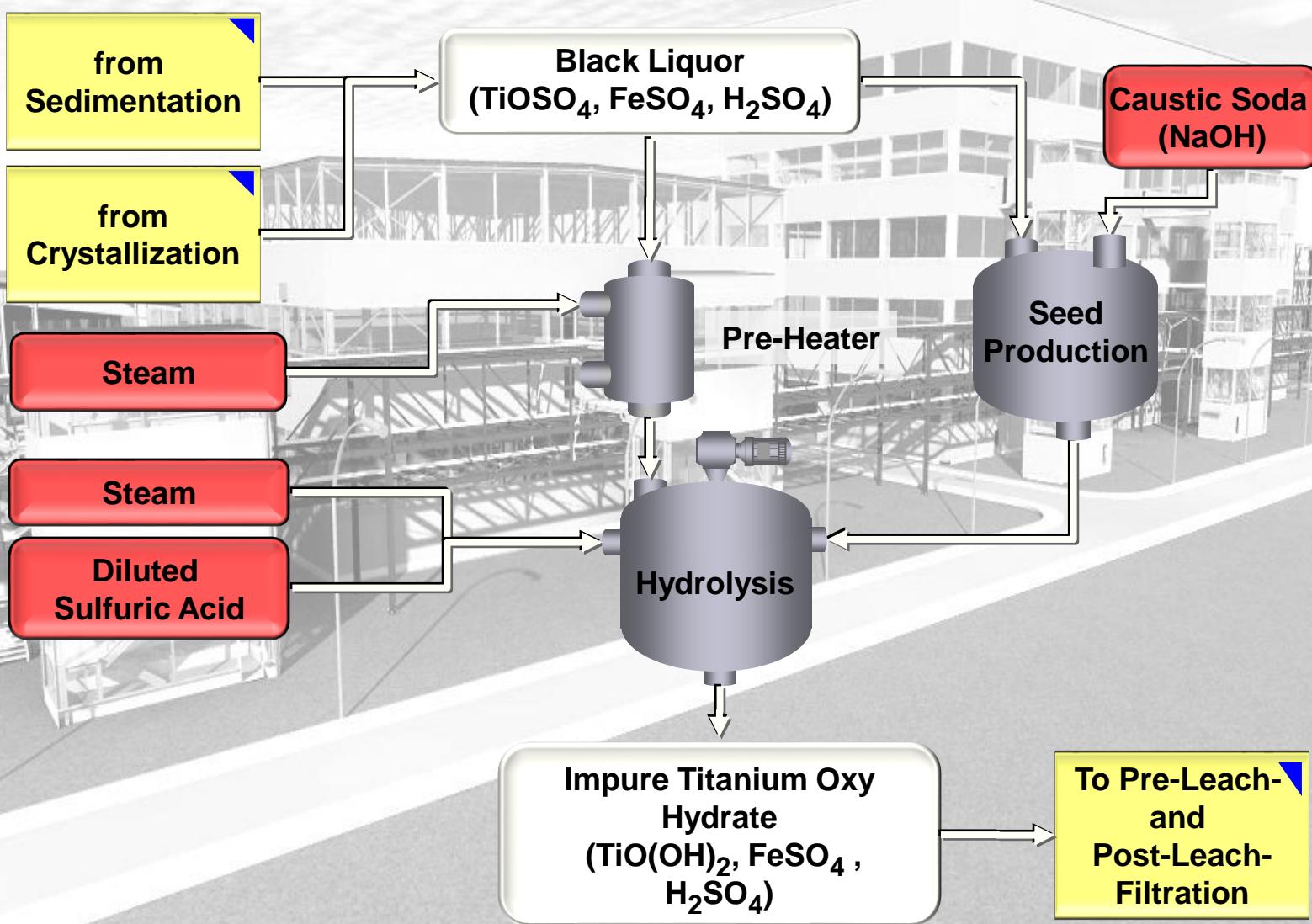


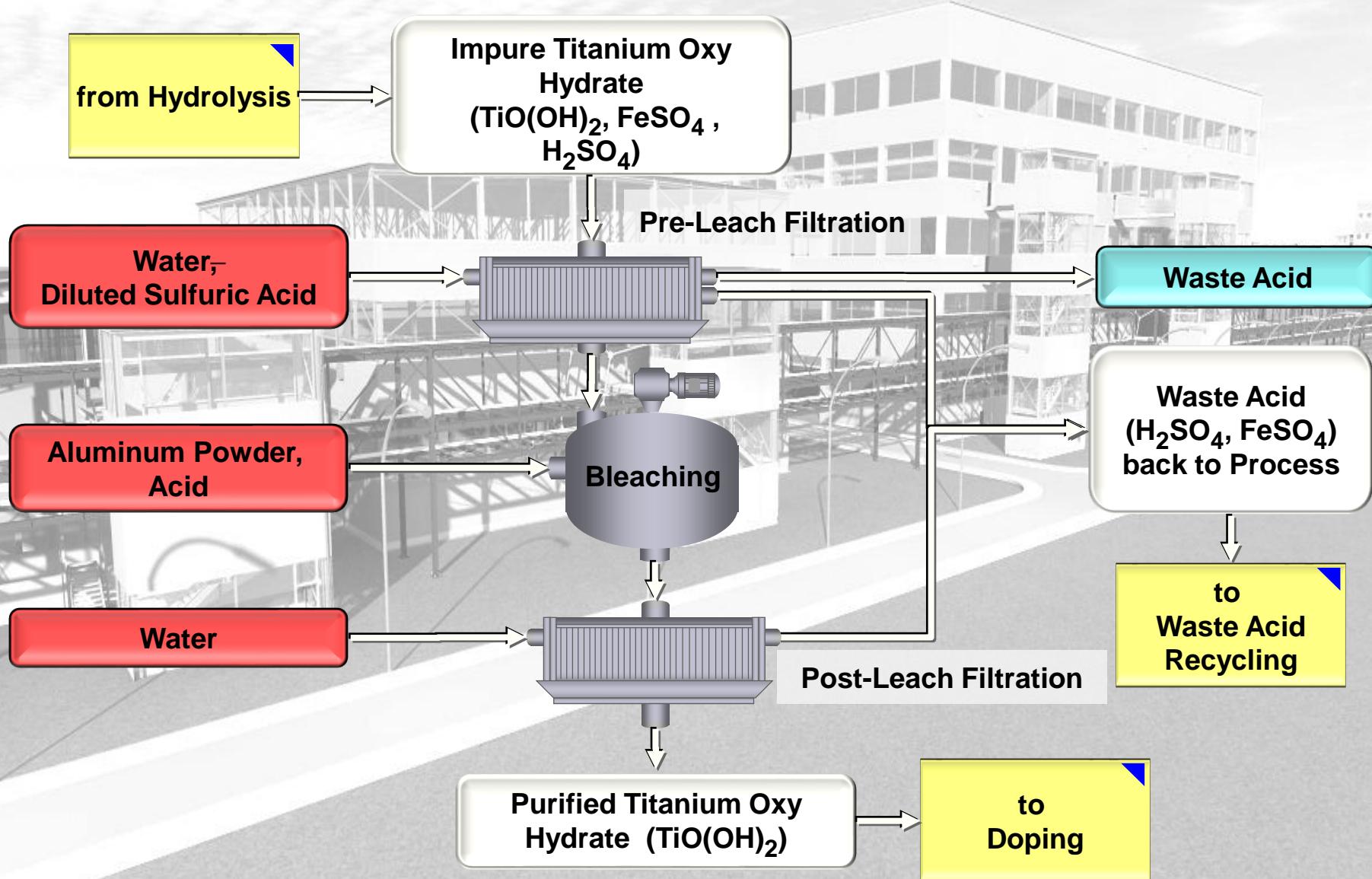
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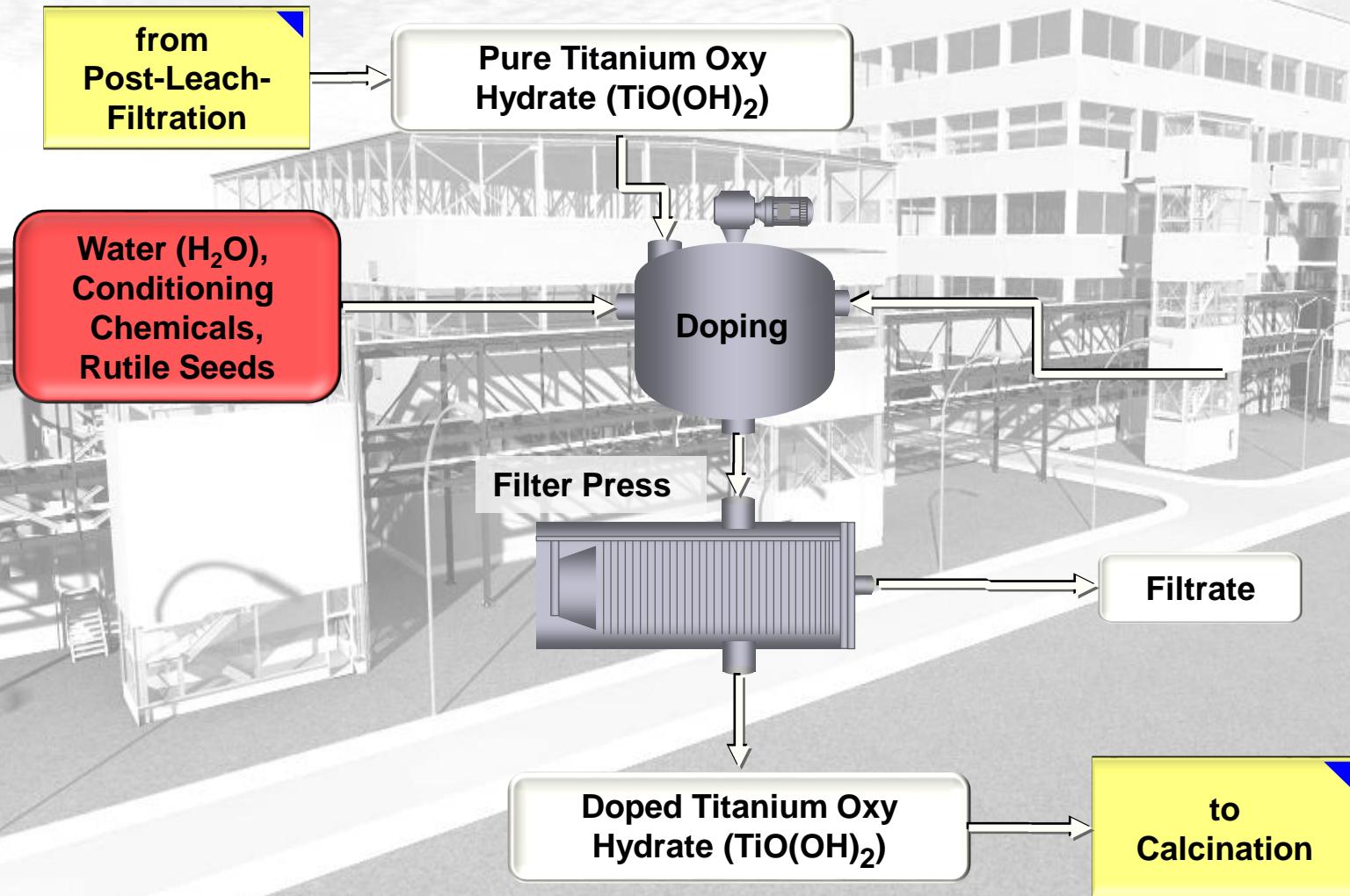
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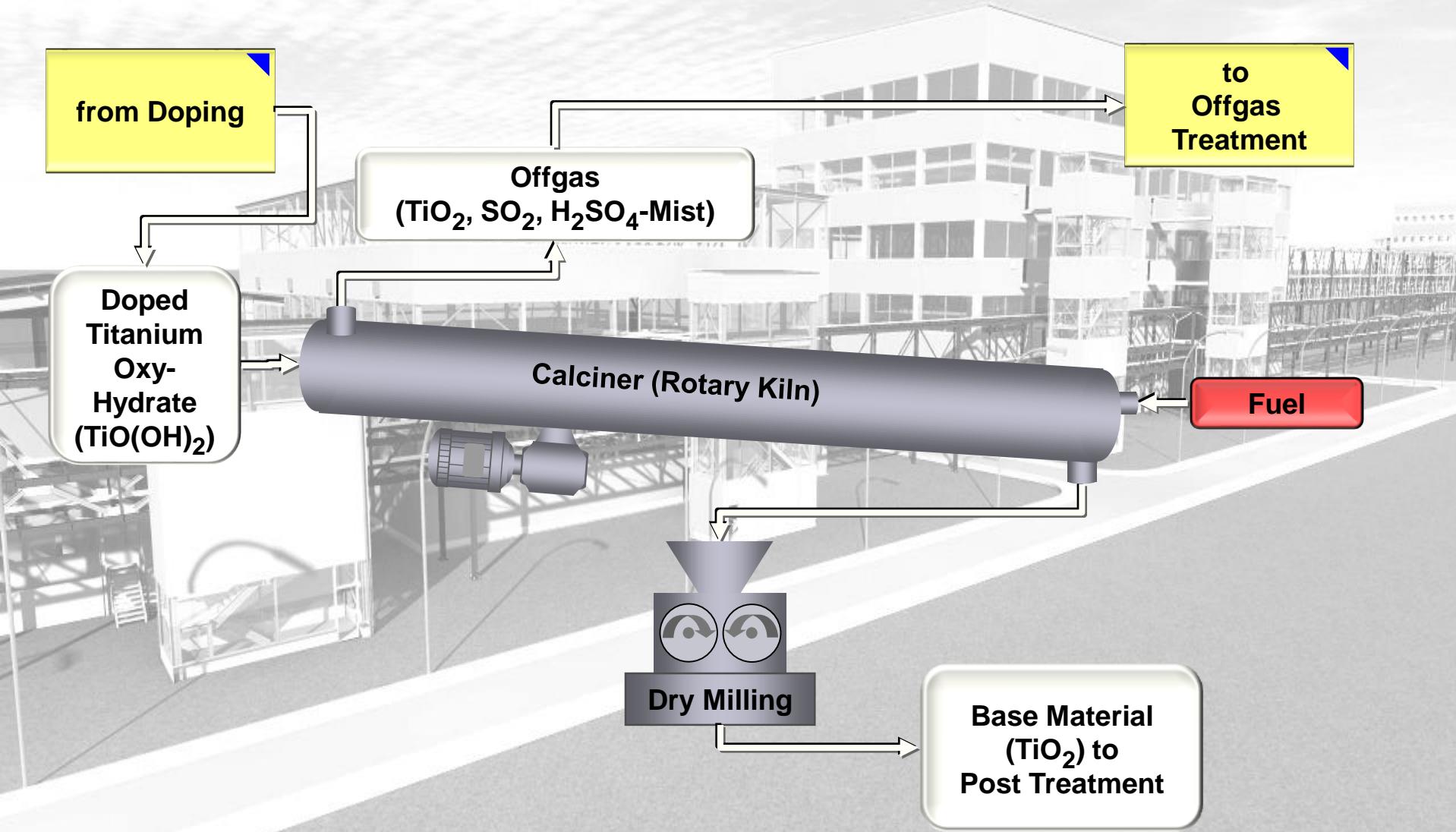




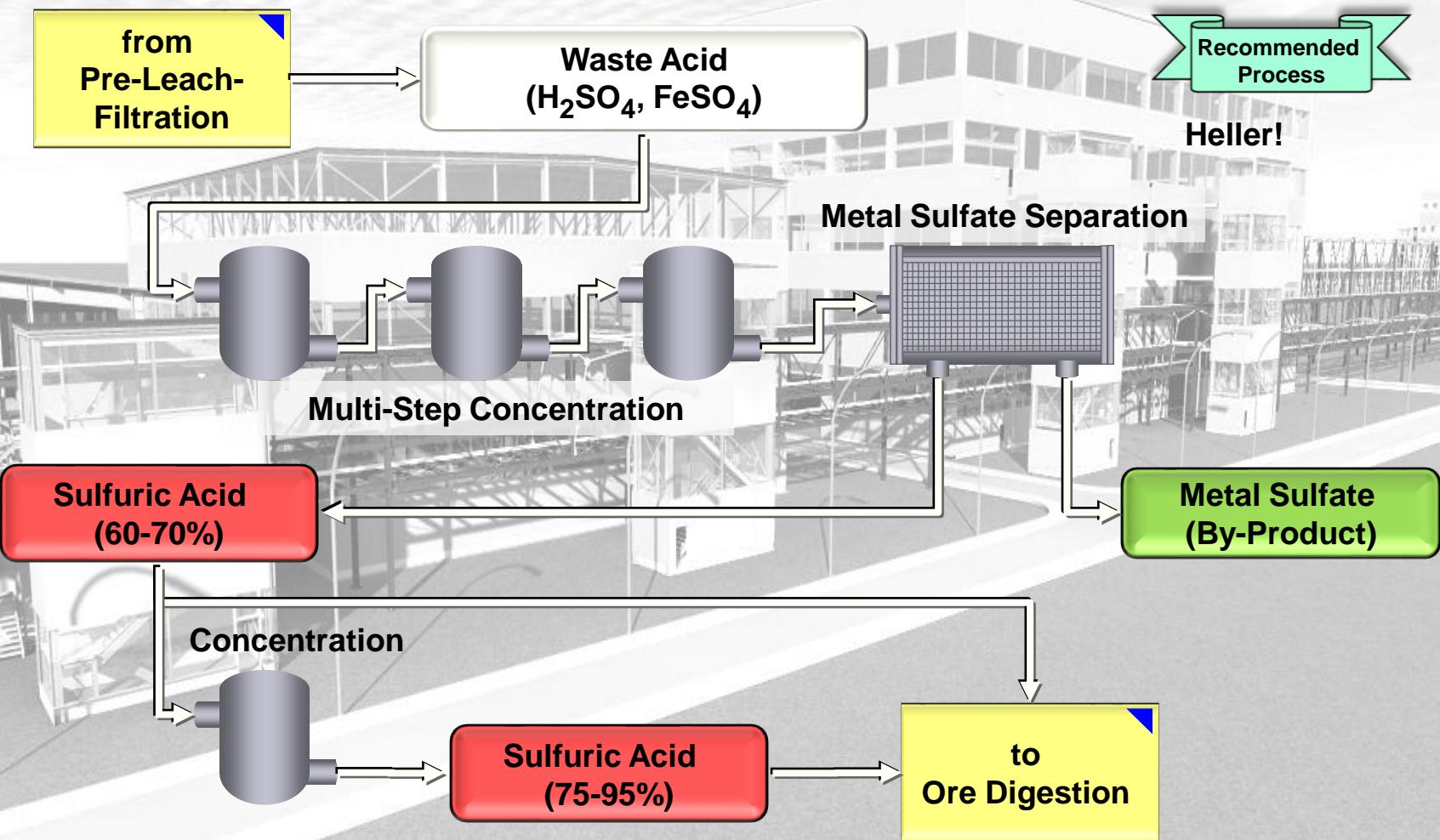
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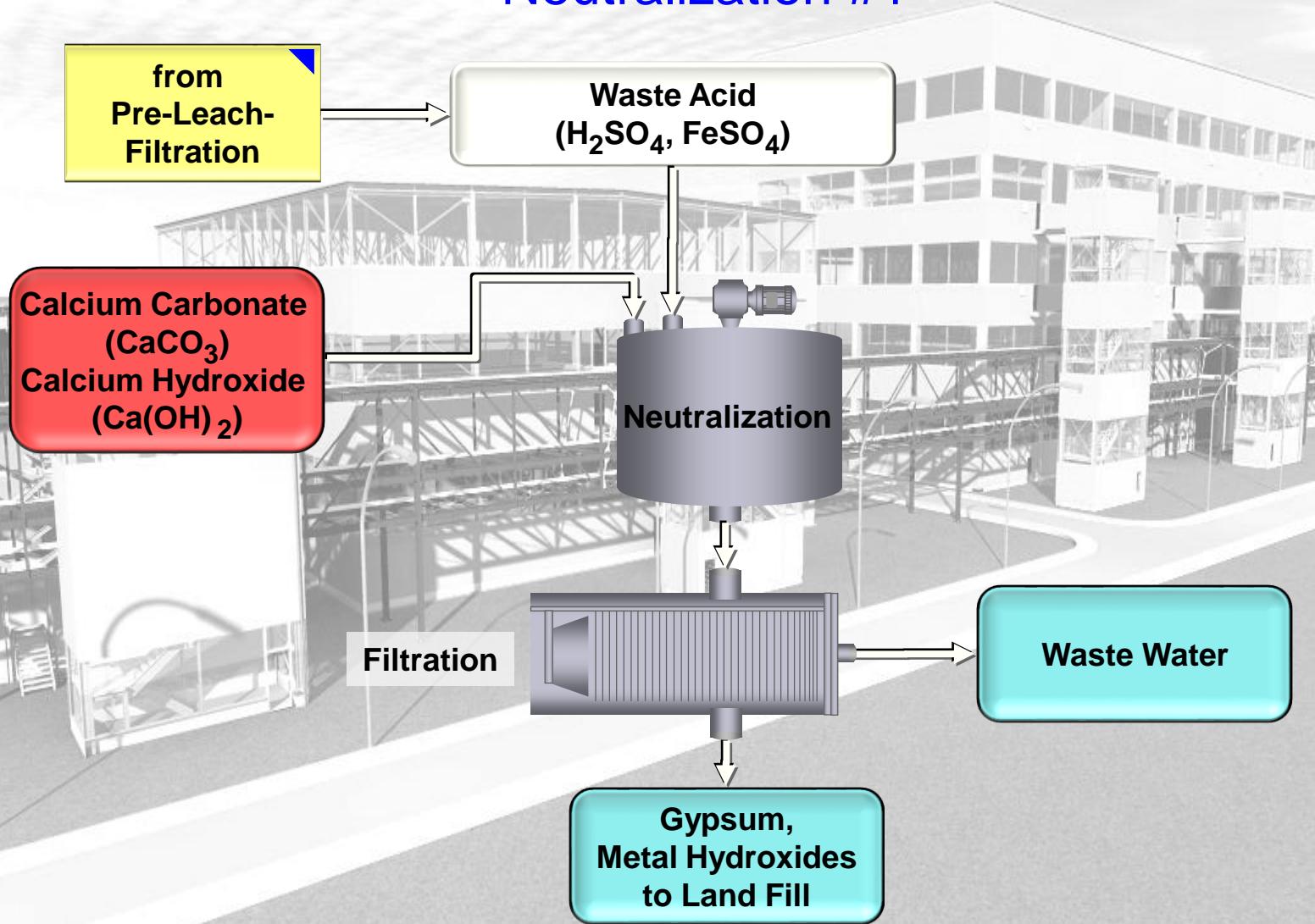
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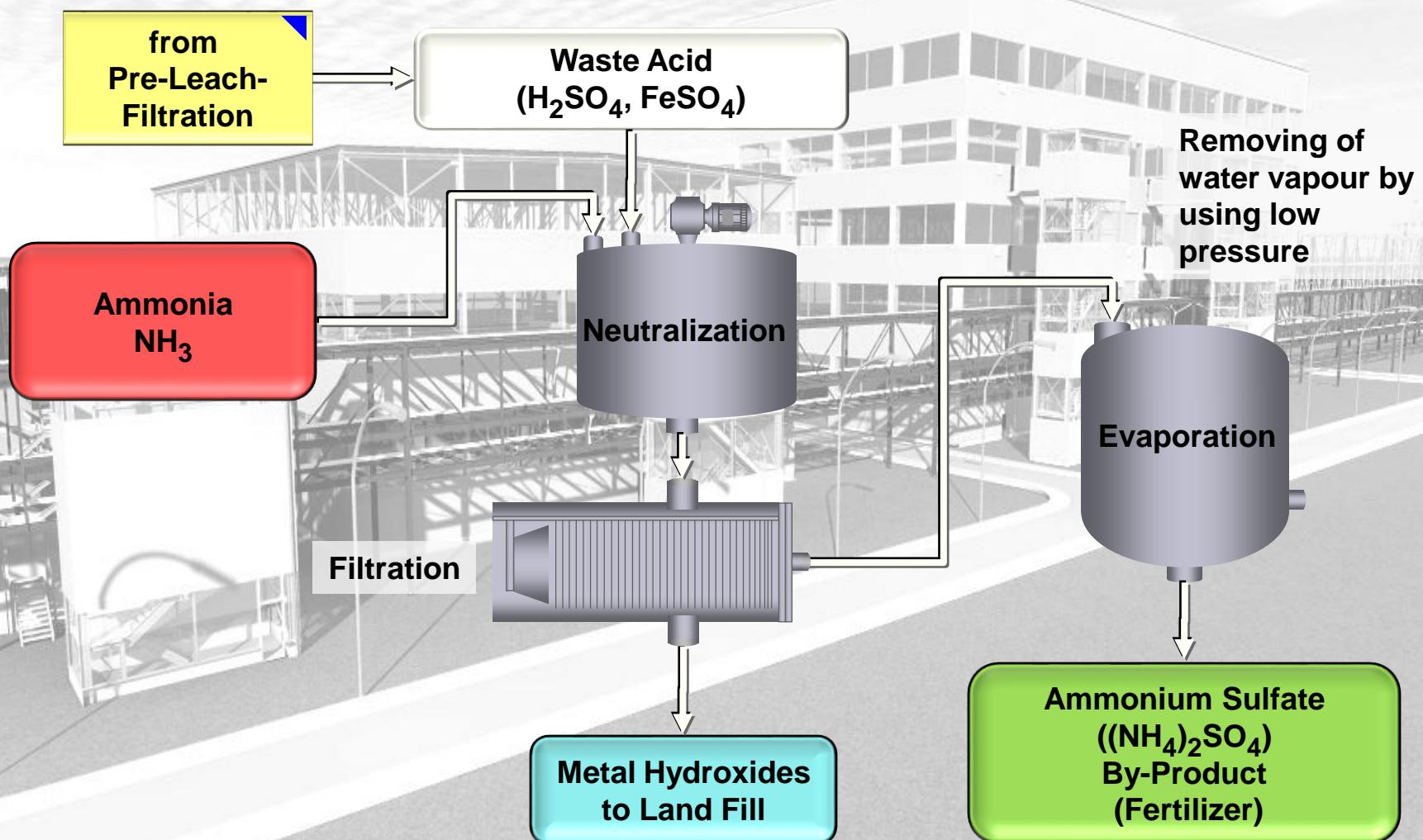
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TiO<sub>2</sub> Sulfate Process

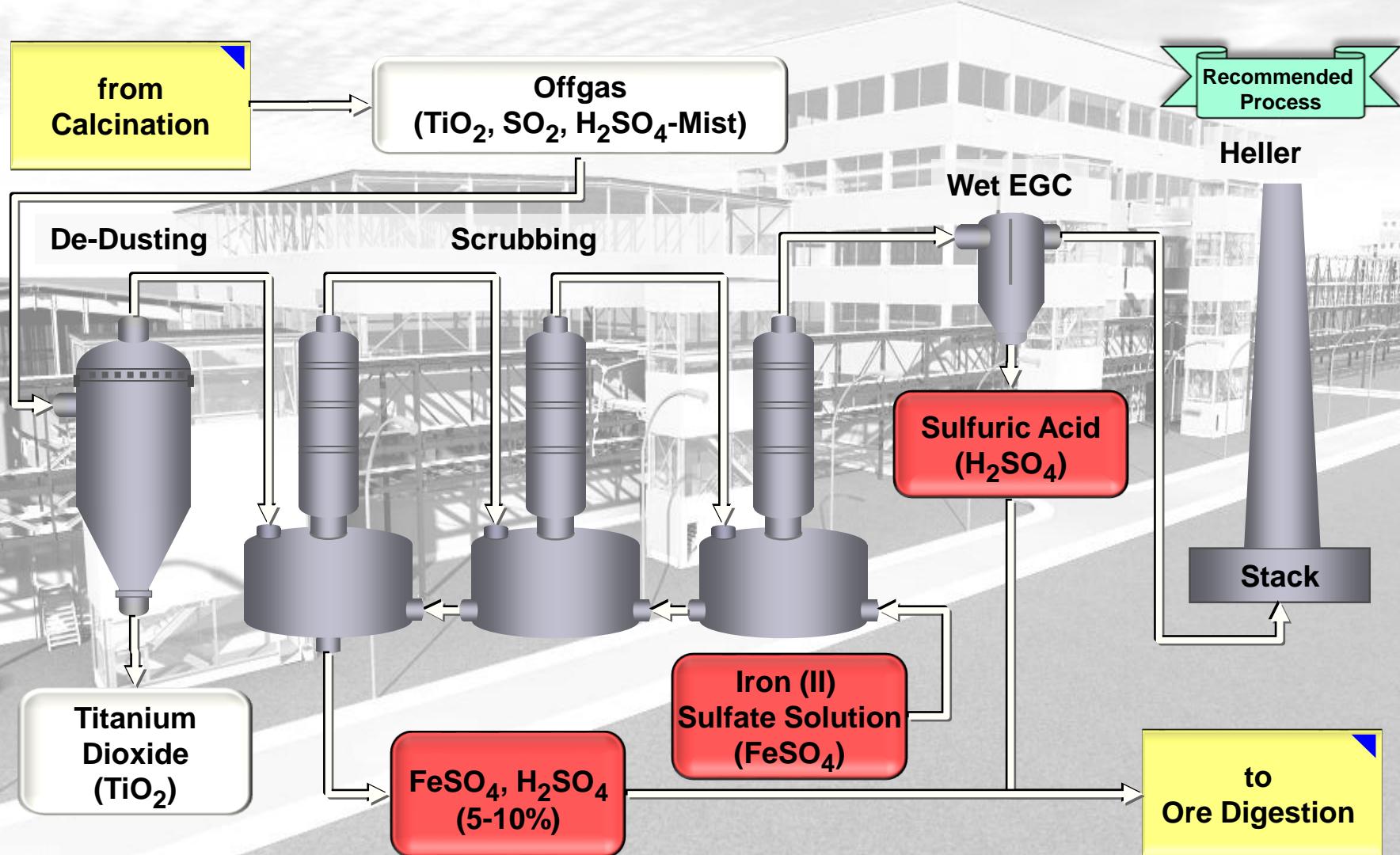
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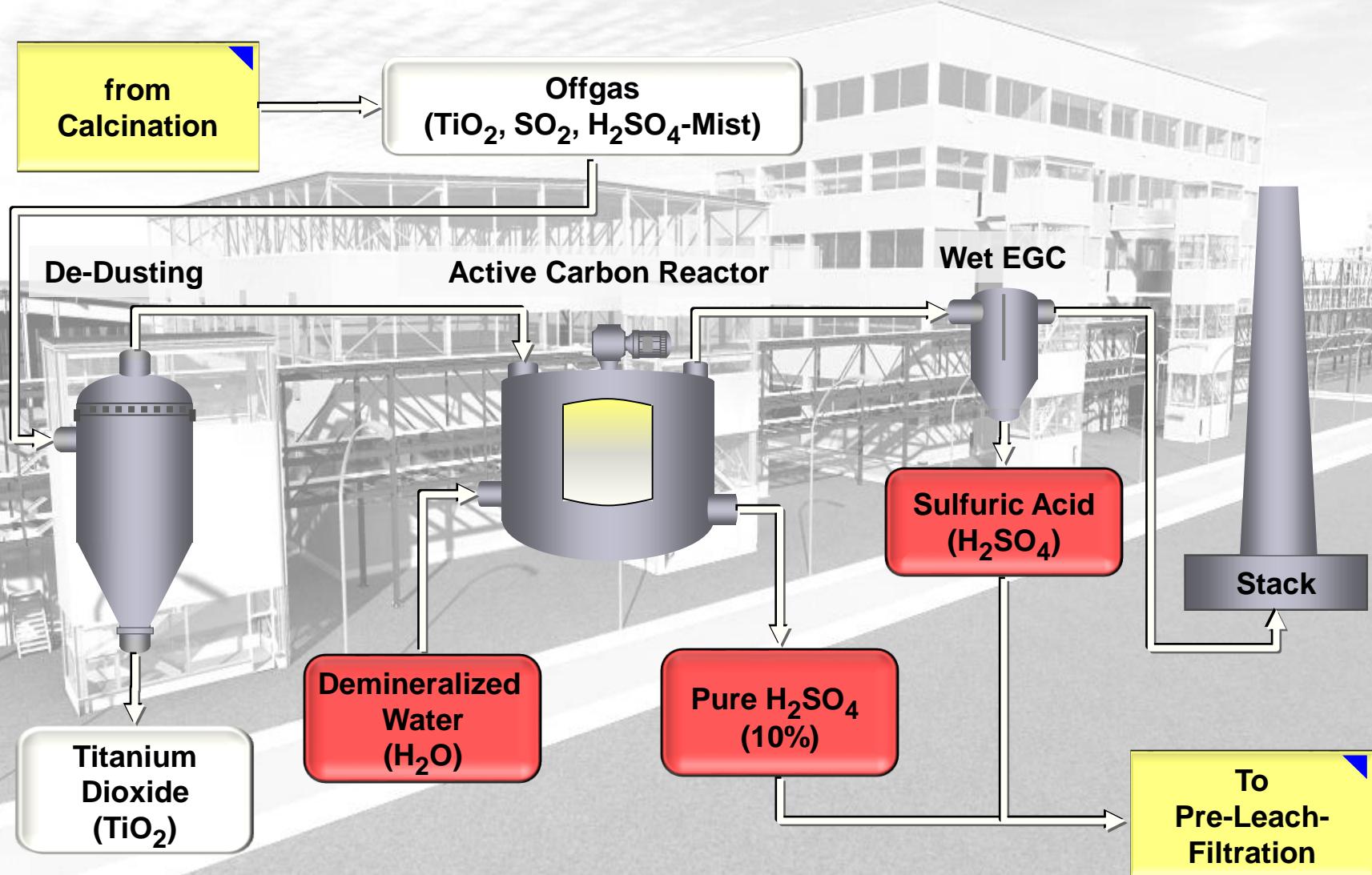


# Offgas Treatment – Alternative 1



EGC = Electrical Gas Cleaning

# Offgas Treatment – Alternative 2



EGC = Electrical Gas Cleaning

# Advantages and Disadvantages of Sulfate Process compared to Chloride Process

## Advantages

- Lower requirements to equipments and automation
- Use of low grade ilmenite is possible.
- The process is less sensitive to production short-fall because there is no closed loop.
- Lower requirements to the qualification of the staff
- In case oleum is not used then lower safety requirements



## Disadvantages

- Larger buildings
- Lower product quality regarding optical and chemical properties
- In general, the production costs are higher, but it depends on the special circumstances
- More environmental impact due to more waste
- Process needs co-product management and attractive markets for co-products
- More man power necessary



## Ilmenite/TiO<sub>2</sub> slag

- Insoluble TiO<sub>2</sub> residue should be below 1.5%
- Related to TiO<sub>2</sub> the content of Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> shall be below 0.2%
- Low contents of CaO, SiO<sub>2</sub>, V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> are advantageous
- Low contents of radioactive elements are advantageous

## Sulfuric acid:

- Technical quality is sufficient (concentration > 96%)