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Butte Reduction Works (BRW) Smelter Area Mine Waste Remediation and Contaminated Groundwater Hydraulic Control Site Quality Assurance Project Plan for Microbial Analysis and Biotreatability Study

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RE: Butte Reduction Works (BRW) Smelter Area Mine Waste Remediation and Contaminated Groundwater Hydraulic Control Site Quality Assurance Project Plan for Microbial Analysis and Biotreatability Study

Agency Representatives:

I am writing you on behalf of Atlantic Richfield Company to submit the *Final Butte Reduction Works (BRW) Smelter Area Mine Waste Remediation and Contaminated Groundwater Hydraulic Control Site Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) for Microbial Analysis and Biotreatability (BRW Biotreatability Study QAPP) for your review and approval. In short, the BRW Biotreatability Study QAPP provides the sampling and analytical procedures and protocols necessary to conduct a bench-scale biotreatability study, including microbial analysis, as part of the overall remedial design effort for the BRW Site. Fieldwork is anticipated to begin in January 2022, pending Agency approval. A proposed schedule is included in the BRW Biotreatability Study QAPP.*

Included with the BRW Biotreatability Study QAPP is Atlantic Richfield's response to Agency comments received on September 27, 2021. Per Agency request, the *Draft Final BRW Smelter Area Mine Waste Remediation and Contaminated Groundwater Hydraulic Control Site Field Sampling Plan for Microbial Analysis and Biotreatability* was modified and reissued as a standalone QAPP (this document).

Per Agencies' request, the following documents are included with this submittal:

- 1. Word Document QAPP Crosswalk.
- 2. Word Document of BRW Biotreatability Study QAPP with redline text indicating edits from previous version submitted to Agencies.
- 3. Complete PDF of BRW Biotreatability Study QAPP.



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The documents may be downloaded at the following link: <u>https://pioneertechnicalservices.sharepoint.com/:f:/s/submitted/Eq8V299dd7NEo0pcXuehKI4B740</u> IAVup9ddyY5RK5ktOAQ

If you have any questions or comments, please call me at (406) 723-1834.

Sincerely,

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