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# RE: Butte Priority Soils Operable Unit (BPSOU) Final Insufficiently Reclaimed Sites - Field Sampling and Investigation Plan (FSP) BRES No. 08 – Belle of Butte.

Agency Representatives:

I am writing to you on behalf of Atlantic Richfield Company (Atlantic Richfield) to submit Atlantic Richfield's responses to Agency comments provided September 26, 2022, to the *Butte Priority Soils Operable Unit (BPSOU) Draft Final Insufficiently Reclaimed Sites - Field Sampling and Investigation Plan (FSP) BRES No. 08 – Belle of Butte.* 

Atlantic Richfield's responses to Agency comments are provided below.

#### Comments:

1. The property ownership boundary of the southside of the site are difficult to see on Figure 1. Please make the property ownership boundary thicker in the area surrounding this IR site.

Atlantic Richfield Company Response: The entire area where the site is located is owned by Atlantic Richfield Company. Private property ownership boundaries are included in the Final FSP to identify the evaluation areas.

2. During the review of this revised FSP, EPA noted Atlantic Richfield Company's comment on the boundary revisions based on what is included in Appendix D, Attachment C, Figure UR-1. It appears that the UR boundary has been updated and boundary adjustments have not been approved at this time and this should be noted in the Evaluation Report for UR-39.



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Atlantic Richfield Company Response: Boundary adjustments will be identified as preliminary until all associated remedial action is complete. Final boundary adjustments will be subject to Agency review and approval.

3. Although this FSP is for sampling and data collection under the Insufficiently Reclaimed (IR) program, the EPA would like to meet with Atlantic Richfield Company and Butte Silver Bow County to talk about historic and future sampling activities of adjacent and downgradient residential and non-residential properties (near this IR site), under the Residential Metals Abatement Program (RMAP) residential program. During the review of the sampling locations included in this FSP, it was noted that the residential property downgradient of this site has not been sampled.

**Atlantic Richfield Company Response:** Sampling of the adjacent property downgradient of the site was discussed extensively with the Agencies. The appropriate sampling program is under consideration by Atlantic Richfield and Butte-Silver Bow, and additional sampling will be performed by the Settling Defendants at a later date.

4. During the review of this FSP, it is noted that there is playground equipment located at the UR-39 site. This UR-39 site should be discussed during the next Source Area Work Group meeting.

**Atlantic Richfield Company Response:** The UR-39 site was discussed extensively during the Source Area Work Group meeting conducted on October 4, 2022. Atlantic Richfield plans to remove the playground equipment as discussed.

#### **End of Comments**

The Final FSP may be downloaded at the following link:

https://pioneertechnicalservices.sharepoint.com/:f:/s/submitted/EuWn\_EQ9ouJGqz00moIoBegBW XWmut3\_XX5Oh\_YnFSnz5Q.

If you have any questions or comments, please call me at (907) 355-3914.

Sincerely,

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