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April 17, 2023

Mr. Mike McAnulty
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**Re: Final Butte Priority Soils Operable Unit, 2021 Insufficiently Reclaimed Sites Sampling
Clark Mill Tailings (BRES No. 154) Site Evaluation Summary Report, dated
(February 22, 2023)**

Dear Mike:

The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), in consultation with the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), is approving the *Butte Priority Soils Operable Unit, 2021 Insufficiently Reclaimed Sites Sampling – Clark Mill Tailings (BRES No. 154) Site Evaluation Summary Report (dated February 22, 2023)* with the following comment. Please address this comment and submit the evaluation report as final.

- During the review of this version of the evaluation report, it was noted that there are relative percent difference (RPD) results in Table A6 for the XRF replicates may not be correct. The arsenic RPD should be 7.6%, copper 16%, lead 1.8% and Zinc 3.1%. Please confirm and update the table accordingly. No qualification of the data is required.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at (406) 457-5019.

Sincerely,

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