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November 8, 2024

Mr. Mike McAnulty Liability Manager Atlantic Richfield Company 317 Anaconda Road Butte, Montana 59701

Re: Approval letter with comments for the Butte Priority Soils Operable Unit (BPSOU) Revised Draft Final Insufficiently Reclaimed Sites Field Sampling Plan (FSP) for BRES No. 181 – Mountain Con-3 Dump (dated October 4, 2024)

Dear Mr. McAnulty:

The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), in consultation with the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), is providing a conditional approval letter with comments on the Butte Priority Soils Operable Unit (BPSOU) Revised Draft Final Insufficiently Reclaimed (IR) Sites FSP for BRES No. 181 – Mountain Con-3 Dump (dated October 4, 2024). For this IR site, please address the comments below and resubmit the FSP as final.

Specific Comments – Carried Forward

1. <u>Figure 1</u>. EPA anticipates that it will approve the boundary adjustment for the Mountain Con-3 Dump (BRES No. 181) to the Mountain Con Mine Dump South (BRES No. 348). Please add samples to the extended area to the south shown on Figure 1, include sample numbers within the FSP accordingly, and include the Mountain Con-3 Dump area in its entirety in the map. The bottom of the figure cuts off the green proposed adjustment to the boundary for the BRES site.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at (406) 457-5021.

Sincerely,

Molly Roby Remedial Project Manager

cc: (email only)
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