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August 16, 2023

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

Re: Approval for the Butte Priority Soils Operable Unit (BPSOU) 2023 Residential Metals Abatement Program Stodden Park Soil Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP) (dated August 8, 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 (BPSOU) 2023 Residential Metals Abatement Program Stodden Park Soil Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP) (dated August 8, 2023)* with the following comments. Please address the following comments and distribute as final.

- 1. <u>Section 4.1:</u> Please confirm that there will be 18 inches of woodchip cover underneath the footprint of the existing mining truck replica.
- 2. <u>Section 4.1:</u> Please consider scheduling the layout of the excavation to accommodate potential delays caused by local storm events.
- 3. <u>Section 4.2:</u> Backfill is detailed for the woodchip area, please specify soft surface backfill materials and depths that this material will be placed.
- 4. <u>Section 5.3:</u> Since this borrow source material was sampled in 2020, please confirm that the results included in Attachment D are representative (i.e., 1 sample per 5,000 cubic yards) of the material that will be used for backfilling purposes at this site. Understanding that this material was sampled under the Anaconda Smelter site's programs, please submit a borrow source form for review and approval for use within the BPSOU. This form will need to be signed/approved by the BPSOU remedial project manager.
- 5. <u>Figure 1:</u> Please update features on the figure in the legend (i.e., UE).
- 6. <u>Figure 1 and Figure 2</u>: Please label and identify removal depths for the soft surface walkway. This should also be in Attachment A as well. In addition to the walkway areas, please include PA6 and any other polygon areas that may be removed during this remedial action.
- 7. From information gathered from site walk through on August 14, 2023, please include any design drawings of the drainage system below the playground remediation area.

- 8. This area is a multi-use facility, please include a site-specific traffic control, public safety and emergency services access plan.
- 9. Please include a list of all contractors and sub-contractors that will be working on this project.

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

Sincerely,

Nikia Greene Remedial Project Manager

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