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Rocker Timber Framing and Treating Plant Operable Unit; dated
April 6, 2023**

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Mr. Loren Burmeister
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Re: Approval for *Draft Final 2022 Annual Monitoring Report* for the Rocker Timber Framing and Treating Plant Operable Unit; dated April 6, 2023

Dear Loren:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), in consultation with the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), approves the above-described report by the Atlantic Richfield Company with the following comment. Please address the comment and submit a final version for the site record.

Main Report Comments:

1. Section 4.2 O&M Sampling Activities, Page 6, Last Paragraph: Please add a short description of the QC and data validation work performed and reference the quarterly reports for further details. In future annual reports, please include a section on data quality that discusses how data was validated according to the appropriate guidelines and how specific results, qualifiers, and validation information can be found in the individual quarterly reports.

Sincerely,

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