

Exhibit M

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EPA Call

11/11/17

Krista → enforcement section chief starting in November

Mark Ackerman - staff replacement for Krista

* Meeting next week.

1) CSW permit for construction at seep collection - EPA Agreed

2) ELG[±], Net zero discharge

1 yr carryover approach

- PCA - annual w/ 1-yr carryover

EPA wants annual average

- EPA disagrees.

xx Check notes - what facility/Alaska did we discuss

Send name of Alaska facility to EPA

3) Antideg - agree future discharges should be determined in future

- How far downstream? PCA did not consider St. Louis R.

"streams" was used, implies St. Louis R. not considered

- PCA - looked at immediate waters. If no degradation

of immediate waters, then waters downstream not impacted

- EPA doesn't remember ↑ Wants impacts to St. Louis R. or

logic of why St. Louis R not mentioned

4) ISW ~~is~~ General vs Individual

- Recommend stormwater is clearly defined - PCA will rely on ISW Gen.

- 5) Permit Application (Updated) - Polymet included memo's/additional info based on PCA discussions & feedback from EPA.
- Is App. Full + complete
 - * EPA wants to make sure all things considered are available to the public
 - How will PCA catalog documents & display to public? (Richard)
 - Also ~~rely~~ rely on EIS record
 - * EPA wants us to Identify all documents used to develop permit
 - Specifics - not just "rely on EIS" - cite specific references

Form 20

- 6) WQBELS
- R.P. analysis included all parameters - No RP to exceed WAS, no WQBEL needed
 - Software - Form 20 is not predicting 10.0, they are predicting less than 10
 - Operating Limit = 10
 - Operating Target = 9
 - * EPA thinks WQBELS are appropriate

Copper
sensitivity of
effluent of
compared to
background
levels

* Set up call for next week

Next call:

- 7) Discharges via GW pathway - want to know more about monitoring

EPA Call

11-9-17

* Updated monitoring plan - send summary to Krista when finished

Allowable Discharge - Alaska example - Krista

- Alaska has max valve flow limit in permit.
- 2017 permit had identical language as previously issued EPA permit.

Operating Limit - 50y

- EPA wants WRBEL
- RP - EPA could come up w/ RP w/ some of the metals
- ^{Barbara} For purposes of enforcement + permit shield, new facility.

EPA wants to send letter prior to PN

Wants advance copy ~~of~~ prior to PN for review + comments

PCA will send PN version prior to notice to the public (Rebecca/Ann)

EPA wants more than a few weeks prior to PN (2 months)

* Future calls - call both/ email ^{Krista} Mark until Thanksgiving