



Memorandum

TO: Members of the CFAC Community Liaison Panel

FROM: Ann Green, Ann Green Communications, Inc.

SUBJECT: Notification of Final Phase I Site Characterization Data Summary Report and
SLERA Summary Report

DATE: January 25, 2018

Attached to this memo is written notification from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) approving the report related to the Phase I sampling work at the Columbia Falls Aluminum Company (CFAC) Site. The report can be downloaded to review by visiting <http://www.cfacproject.com/welcome/> and clicking the report link.

Phase I work involved the collection and analysis of more than 520 soil, 12 sediment, 87 surface water, and 242 groundwater samples from the site. This information is being used to determine site conditions. A second phase of sampling will be conducted to close data gaps to ensure a comprehensive evaluation of the site. That work plan is being designed and will be submitted to the agencies in the first quarter of 2018.

The acceptance of the Phase I report represents a milestone in the project. It is part of the overall Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS) that has been discussed during various panel meetings.

Attachment follows.



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January 22, 2018

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**Re: Final Phase I Site Characterization Data Summary Report and SLERA
Summary Report (dated September 18, 2017)**

Dear Mr. Wright:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Agency), in consultation with the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), has no further comments and approves the above described report and associated response to Agency comments.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at (406) 293-6194.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Cirian".

Michael Cirian, PE
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