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To: Marcus Stern

**Subject:** RE: Media Inquiry

Hi Marcus,

Thank you for your inquiry. I don't have a record of Alexis' remarks at the meeting, but please see below for a breakout of past costs.

Best,

Michele

Total EPA past costs for the Anaconda site are approximately \$28 million. As part of prior settlements with ARC, EPA waived \$4 million and recovered approximately \$8 million in past costs. Thus, at the time of deferral, EPA had \$16 million in outstanding past costs spent for site investigation and cleanup.

As with all such agreements, the \$3 million settlement agreement was published in the Federal Register (on March 16, 2018) with a 30-day comment period. EPA received no comments. With this most recent \$3 million settlement now final, EPA's unreimbursed past costs for the Anaconda site are approximately \$13 million.

The EPA Deferral Agreement with the State of Nevada requires that the site will be cleaned up consistent with standards under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA). Under the terms of its agreement with the state, ARC agreed to conduct the cleanup work under state oversight and will pay for site work with contribution from the state towards the remedy for the Arimetco portion of the site. Construction of the first site remedial action is expected to begin in late 2019 and is expected be completed in 2024. While EPA deferred most of the site's operable units to Nevada, EPA did not defer decision-making authority for actions on tribal land.