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SUBJECT: Follow-up: EPA concerns about new treatment technology proposed for Elk Valley

BULLET RESPONSE:

- The USEPA (EPA) requested BC share technical documents regarding predicted pollutant loading in the Elk River/Lake Koocanusa related to Teck Resources' (Teck's) updated water quality model and Implementation Plan Adjustment; and available information related to evaluation of Saturated Rock Fill (SRF) technology.
- On March 3, 2020, Teck provided EPA with a summary report of their expert panel review of SRF technology at Elkview Operations (*Report of the Independent Peer Review Panel, March 4, 2019*), and offered to provide a presentation on SRF technology to the EPA.
- On April 1, 2020, Ministry staff in ENV and EMPR met with EPA representatives from Region 10 (Patty McGrath), Region 8 (Ayn Schmit), and International and Tribal Affairs (Mark Kasman), to follow-up about their concerns.
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Attachments: [Teck letter to EPA re SRF information sharing \(March 31, 2020\).pdf](#)
[Report of the Independent Peer Review Panel Full Scale Trial F2 SRF March 4 2019.pdf](#)

Dear Ms. Nishida,

On behalf of Katherine Gizikoff, General Manager of Environment and Social Responsibility at Teck Resources Limited, please find attached a letter addressed to you. Also attached is a *Report of the Independent Peer Review Panel* that provides information with respect to Teck's Elkview saturated rock fill technology.

Regards,
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