

# Extractive Sector Transparency Measures Act - Annual Report



**Reporting Entity Name** ARC Resources Ltd.

**Reporting Year** **From** 1/1/2023 **To:** 12/31/2023 **Date submitted** 5/10/2024

**Reporting Entity ESTMA Identification Number** E256030

Original Submission  
 Amended Report

**Other Subsidiaries Included**  
(optional field)

**For Consolidated Reports - Subsidiary Reporting Entities Included in Report:** ARC RESOURCES U.S. HOLDINGS LTD. E054845  
ARC RESOURCES U.S. CORP. E578685

**Not Substituted**

**Attestation by Reporting Entity**

*In accordance with the requirements of the ESTMA, and in particular section 9 thereof, I attest I have reviewed the information contained in the ESTMA report for the entity(ies) listed above. Based on my knowledge, and having exercised reasonable diligence, the information in the ESTMA report is true, accurate and complete in all material respects for the purposes of the Act, for the reporting year listed above.*

**Full Name of Director or Officer of Reporting Entity** Kristen J. Bibby **Date** 5/10/2024

**Position Title** Senior VP and CFO

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### Payments by Payee

Country	Payee Name <sup>1</sup>	Departments, Agency, etc... within Payee that Received Payments <sup>2</sup>	Taxes	Royalties	Fees	Production Entitlements	Bonuses	Dividends	Infrastructure Improvement Payments	Total Amount paid to Payee	Notes <sup>34</sup>
Canada	BLUEBERRY RIVER FIRST NATIONS				750,000					750,000	
Canada	CITY OF GRANDE PRAIRIE		310,000							310,000	
Canada	GIFT LAKE METIS SETTLEMENT				210,000					210,000	
Canada	HALFWAY RIVER FIRST NATION				260,000					260,000	
Canada	MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF GREENVIEW NO. 16		16,680,000							16,680,000	
Canada	GOVERNMENT OF ALBERTA	ALBERTA ENERGY REGULATOR			8,920,000					8,920,000	
Canada	GOVERNMENT OF ALBERTA	ALBERTA PETROLEUM MARKETING COMMISSION		1,320,000						1,320,000	
Canada	GOVERNMENT OF ALBERTA	MINISTER OF FINANCE			870,000		230,000			1,100,000	
Canada	GOVERNMENT OF ALBERTA	PROVINCIAL TREASURER OF ALBERTA		626,280,000	1,450,000					627,730,000	Royalties paid in-kind total \$45,070,000 and are valued at the fair market value of the volumes taken in-kind, based on ARC's realized sales price.
Canada	GOVERNMENT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA	MINISTER OF FINANCE	2,750,000	240,410,000	8,600,000					251,760,000	
Canada	GOVERNMENT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA	BRITISH COLUMBIA ENERGY REGULATOR			1,880,000					1,880,000	
Canada	GOVERNMENT OF MANITOBA	MINISTER OF FINANCE		330,000						330,000	
Canada	SADDLE HILLS COUNTY	ENERGY, MINES AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES	300,000							300,000	
Canada	SAULTEAU FIRST NATIONS				170,000					170,000	
Canada	STURGEON LAKE CREE NATION				140,000					140,000	
Canada	SUCKER CREEK FIRST NATION				180,000					180,000	

**Additional Notes:**

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### Payments by Project

Country	Project Name <sup>1</sup>	Taxes	Royalties	Fees	Production Entitlements	Bonuses	Dividends	Infrastructure Improvement Payments	Total Amount paid by Project	Notes <sup>23</sup>
Canada	Kakwa	14,740,000	515,290,000	9,650,000		230,000			<b>539,910,000</b>	
Canada	Northeast British Columbia	2,770,000	240,410,000	11,710,000					<b>254,890,000</b>	
Canada	Northern Alberta	2,530,000	112,640,000	2,070,000					<b>117,240,000</b>	Royalties paid in-kind total \$45,070,000 and are valued at the fair market value of the volumes taken in-kind, based on ARC's realized sales price.

**Additional Notes<sup>3</sup>:**

## INTRODUCTION

ARC Resources Ltd. and its subsidiaries (collectively the “Company” or “ARC”) has prepared the following report (“the Report”) of payments made to government entities for the year ended December 31, 2023 as required by the Extractive Sector Transparency Measures Act S.C. 2014, c.39, s.376 (“ESTMA” or the “Act”).

ARC makes a broader socio-economic contribution to the local areas in which we operate in addition to the payments that are required to be reported under the Act. For further information on such broader contributions, please refer to ARC’s ESG Update.

## BASIS OF PREPARATION

The Report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Act and the Natural Resources Canada (“NRCan”) Technical Reporting Specifications. The Technical Reporting Specifications provides specifications with regards to the form and manner of reporting. The following is a summary of judgments and definitions that ARC has made for the purpose of preparing the Report.

### Payee

For purposes of the Act, a payee is:

- a) Any government in Canada or in a foreign state.
- b) A body that is established by two or more governments.
- c) Any trust, board, commission, corporation or body or other authority that is established to exercise or perform, or that exercises or performs, a power, duty, or function of a government for a government referred to in paragraph (a) above or a body referred to in paragraph (b) above.

Payees include governments at any level, including national, regional, state/provincial, or local/municipal levels. Payees include Crown corporations and other state-owned enterprises that are exercising or performing a power, duty, or function of government.

The individual department, agency or other body of the payee that received the payment is disclosed, where practical, in a supplementary note to the Report.

### Activities within the scope of the Report

Payments made by ARC to payees relating to the commercial development of oil, gas, and minerals (“commercial development”) are disclosed in this Report. ARC makes payments related to its initial processing activities which are integrated with its extraction operations and comprise commercial development. The Report excludes payments that are not related to ARC’s commercial development activities, as defined by the Act and in the associated Guidance document published by NRCan.

### Project

Payments are reported at the project level except for payments that are not attributable to a specific project and are reported at the entity level. Corporate income taxes, which are typically not levied at a project level, are an example of this.

A “project” means the operational activities that are governed by a single contract, license, lease, concession, or similar legal agreement and form the basis for payment liabilities with a government. However, if multiple such agreements are substantially interconnected, ARC has aggregated such interconnected agreements into a single “Project” for reporting purposes, as permitted under the Act and the associated Technical Reporting Specifications published by NRCan.

### Cash and in-kind payments

Payments are reported on a cash basis, meaning they are reported in the period in which they are paid. In-kind payments are converted to an equivalent cash value based on cost or, if cost is not determinable, the in-kind payment is reported at the fair market value. The valuation method for each payment has been disclosed in a supplementary note to the Report.

All information is reported in Canadian dollars (“Cdn\$”). Payments to the “same payee” that meet or exceed \$100,000 Cdn in one category of payment are disclosed. Payments disclosed are rounded to the nearest \$10,000 Cdn.

### Payments made in situations of joint control

Where ARC has itself made a reportable payment to a payee, regardless of whether ARC is the operator, the full amount paid has been disclosed; this is the case even where ARC as the operator has been proportionally reimbursed by its non-operating partners through a partner billing process.

### Payment Categories

The information is reported under the following payment categories.

#### *Taxes*

This category may include taxes paid by ARC on its income, profits, or production. Taxes reported include property taxes, business taxes and certain provincial resource surcharges. Consumption taxes and personal income taxes are excluded.

#### *Royalties*

These are payments for the rights to extract oil and gas resources, typically at a set percentage of revenue less any deductions that may be taken. Royalties paid in kind are also reported under this category.

#### *Fees*

This category may include rental fees, entry fees and regulatory charges as well as fees or other consideration for licenses, permits or concessions. Amounts paid in ordinary course commercial transactions in exchange for services provided by a payee are excluded.

#### *Production entitlements*

A payee’s share of oil, gas, or mineral production under a production sharing agreement or a similar contractual or legislated arrangement is reported under this category. For the year ended December 31, 2023, there were no reportable production entitlement payments to a payee.

#### *Bonuses*

Signing, discovery, production and any other type of bonuses paid to a payee are reported under this category. For the year ended December 31, 2023, ARC paid \$0.2 million in bonuses to the Provincial Government of Alberta for land purchases.

*Dividends*

These are dividend payments other than dividends paid to a payee as an ordinary shareholder of ARC. For the year ended December 31, 2023, there were no reportable dividend payments to a payee.

*Infrastructure improvement payments*

These are payments which relate to the construction of infrastructure that do not relate primarily to the operational purposes of ARC. For the year ended December 31, 2023, there were no reportable infrastructure improvement payments to a payee.