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Suggested Language

In order to address concerns about accountability and the best use of state resources, the department is suggesting the following language be attached to any appropriation given to the department for the Reliance Refinery clean-up study:

"Funds in item XX are provided on a one-time, biennial basis and are restricted for use on the Reliance Refinery clean-up feasibility study. Further, the appropriation is subject to the following provisions:

1) The department shall comply with state procurement laws when entering into any contracts associated with this project;
2) The department shall provide the Environmental Quality Council with quarterly project status updates. Further, written copies of these updates shall be provided to members of the Natural Resources and Commerce subcommittee;
3) The department shall provide the Legislative Finance Committee with quarterly expenditure reports that detail the work completed to date and the cost associated with that level of effort;
4) The department shall conduct semi-annual meetings and engage in on-going information sharing with potentially liable parties; and
5) Funds not expended on contracts associated with this project shall be reverted to the fund from which they originated."