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Sent via email: david.frenette@agnioeagle.com

Re: Application Pending NPC Conformity Determination and Referral from an Authorizing Agency for Agnico Eagle Mine's "Type B Water Licence Renewal" Project Proposal

Dear David Frenette:

The Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received Agnico Eagle Mine's (AEM) "Type B Water Licence Renewal" project proposal from the proponent on March 18, 2015. The project proposal submission included the following documents:

- Nunavut Water Board Application for Water Licence Renewal Form in English
- Non technical Project Proposal summary in English
- Non technical Project Proposal summary in Inuktitut

Your project appears to be located in an area which requires conformity to the Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan, pursuant to Article 11 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA). Please be advised that Proponents are required to submit their project proposals directly to the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) for a conformity determination. For further information, please contact NPC's Director Regional Planning, Brian Aglukark, at (867) 857-2242 or via email at aglukark@nunavut.ca.

The NIRB conducts screening (environmental impact assessment) of project proposals upon referral from Government departments/agencies and Regional Inuit Associations responsible for authorizing the proposed project works or activities. Please be advised that it is the Proponent's responsibility to apply for all authorizations and approvals required to carry out the proposed project works or activities.

Once the NIRB receives a positive conformity determination from the NPC and a Referral from an authorizing agency, the Board will screen the project proposal in accordance with Article 12,

Part 4 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement and will report to the Government Minister(s) responsible for authorizing the project.

If you have any questions or require clarification, feel free to contact Natasha Lear, Environmental Administrator, at (867) 983-4612 or via email at info@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,

Natasha Lear

Environmental Administrator

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Nunavut Impact Review Board

cc: Brian Aglukark, Nunavut Planning Commission

Phyllis Beaulieu, Nunavut Water Board