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Subject: **Fisheries and Oceans Canada's Final Submission for the Agnico Eagle Mines Limited Doris-Madrid (Hope Bay) Project Type A Water License Amendment No. 2AM-DOH1335**

Dear Robert Hunter,

Fisheries and Oceans Canada's (DFO) Fish and Fish Habitat Protection Program (FFHPP) thanks the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) for the opportunity to participate in the review of the Agnico Eagle Mines Limited's (AEM) Type A Water Licence Amendment Application for the Doris-Madrid (Hope Bay) Project.

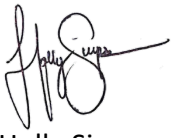
DFO submitted written technical comments on June 19, 2026, and participated in the Technical Session and Pre-hearing Conference from July 16 to 17, 2026. DFO is pleased to submit the attached written Final Submission by the September 10, 2026, deadline identified in the NWB Decision Report in advance of the Public Hearing to be held on October 15 to 16, 2026.

The submission provides DFO's advice to the NWB regarding the completeness of the information provided, identifies potential impacts to fish and fish habitat associated with the project changes, and reiterates comments that have been resolved.

DFOs assessment and recommendations are based on our departmental mandate under the *Fisheries Act*, specifically the management and protection of fish and their habitat in Canadian waters.

If you have any questions, please contact Holly Simpson by phone at 867-444-0037 or email at Holly.Simpson@dfo-mpo.gc.ca.

Yours sincerely,



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