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Jennifer Range
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RE: Design Report for TIA North Dam Upstream Berm; Type A Water Licence No: 2AM-DOH1335 Doris-Madrid Project; Agnico Eagle Mines Limited;

Dear Ms. Range:

On February 10, 2026, the Nunavut Water Board (NWB or the Board) received a Design Report from Agnico Eagle Mines Limited (Agnico Eagle or Licensee) for the Hope Bay TIA North Dam Upstream Berm. This notification is required under Part D, Item 1 of the Type “A” Water Licence 2AM-DOH1335.

In the design report, Agnico Eagle has stated that they intend to “*construct the North Dam Upstream Berm at the Hope Bay mine to provide additional thermal protection to the North Dam from the seasonal fluctuation of water levels. The structure is located along the upstream slope of the North Dam*”.

Construction is planned to occur during the winter of 2026 while the water level is low and the footprint can be cleared of ice and water prior to construction.

On February 11, 2026, the NWB distributed the Design Report for a public review, parties were invited to submit comments by February 24, 2026. The Kitikmeot Inuit Association (KIA), Crown Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNA) and Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) replied to the request for review stating that they had no comments at this time. No other submissions were received.

Copies of all documents received in support of the Notice of Construction can be accessed through the NWB’s Public Registry and FTP site using the following Link:

<https://public.nwb-oen.ca/registry/2%20MINING%20MILLING/2A/2AM%20-%20Mining/2AM-DOH1335%20AEM/3%20TECH/D%20CONST%20%26%20OPER/D1%20North%20Dam%20Upstream%20Berm%20Design%20Report/>

NWB's Review and Decision

The NWB, having fully reviewed the Licensee's request in the context of potential impact of the proposed activities on the freshwater environment, and consistency of the proposed activity in relation to the scope of the Licence, determined that the proposed installation is consistent with the scope of activities considered under the Licence issued to the Project. Therefore, by way of this correspondence, the Board authorizes Agnico Eagle to undertake the construction of the TIA North Dam Upstream Berm.

Further, in keeping with Part D, Item 11 of the Licence's terms and conditions, the submission of post-construction information, including as-built plans and drawings, shall remain applicable to this authorization. The Board also advises that a Construction Summary Report should be provided as per Licence terms and conditions.

The Licensee is advised that the Board's review of this document is a verification that the proposed activity is consistent with the existing terms and conditions of the Licence and more specifically with Part D, and may proceed in accordance with the design specifics and drawings provided. It should be noted that the Board's acceptance is NOT intended or offered as any representation regarding the suitability of the plans nor third-party verification of the design, construction, planning or engineering discussed in the notice of construction and accompanying documents.

Should you have any questions regarding the above, please contact the NWB Licensing Department by email to licensing@nwb-oen.ca or by phone at (867) 360-6338.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'MAS', is written over a faint, tilted rectangular stamp or watermark.

Mohammad Ali Shaikh
Technical Advisor,
Nunavut Water Board,

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Cc: Distribution List – Doris North, Kitikmeot