

**File: 2AM-DOH1335** 

**Modification** 

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RE: Licence No: 2AM-DOH1335 Type "A", Doris-Madrid Project; Agnico Eagle Mines

Limited; Modification - Construction of Pad for Water Treatment Plant.

Dear Ms. Harvey:

On June 7, 2022, the Nunavut Water Board (NWB or the Board) received a Notice of Modification by Agnico Eagle Mines Limited (Agnico Eagle or Licensee) for a modification (Request) to the Licence No: 2AM-DOH1335 (the Licence) issued to Agnico Eagle for the Doris-Madrid Project (the Project). This notification is required under the Type "A" Water Licence 2AM-DOH1335 Part G – Item 1.

The Notice of Modification outlined Agnico Eagle's plans to construct a pad for the future water treatment plant. This Pad will be located in the Tailings Impoundment Area (TIA) watershed close to the north dike. At the location of the pad, the outcrop will be drilled and blasted, and the material generated will be used for the pad construction. Construction equipment will access the pad location through an access road.

The new pad will occupy 4080 m<sup>2</sup> (80 m x 51 m). The existing pumping stations in TIA and the reclaim station to the mill will be repositioned also on a pad (24 m x 19 m) close to the water treatment plant pad. Run off on material used for construction will be contained within the TIA watershed.

Agnico Eagle have stated that the reason for installing the pad is to prepare a stable foundation for the construction of a water treatment plant and to minimize the impact to the tundra and permafrost.

On June 20, 2022, the NWB distributed the Request for public information. No comments or submissions were received from parties or the public.

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

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## 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 and in accordance with Part G, Item 2 of the Licence, the Board authorizes Agnico Eagle to undertake the construction of pad for future water treatment plant.

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 G. 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 document.

Further, in keeping with Part G, Item 4 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.

Should you have any questions regarding the above, please contact the NWB Licensing Department by email to <a href="mailto:licensing@nwb-oen.ca">licensing@nwb-oen.ca</a> or by phone at (867) 360-6338.

Sincerely,

Mohammad Ali Shaikh Technical Advisor, Nunavut Water Board

AS/rqd

Cc: Distribution List – Doris North