



August 7th, 2018

Karen Kharatyan
Director of Technical Services/ Acting Executive Director
Nunavut Water Board

RE: NWB Request for Technical Review Comments by August 3, 2018 Regarding Proposed Modification to Allow In - Pit Tailings Deposition under Agnico Eagle Mines Limited's Type "A" Water Licence No.2AM-MEA1525 for the Meadowbank Gold Mine Project

Dear Mr. Kharatyan,

As you are aware, on July 3, 2018 Nunavut Water Board (NWB or Board) invited Parties to submit their final written submissions for the the Modification to Allow In-pit Tailings Deposition under Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.'s (Agnico Eagle) Type A Water Licence (NWB File No. 2AM MEA1525) on or before August 3rd, 2018.

It has come to our attention that on August 7th, 2018 Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) provided a late final written submission to NWB in this proceeding. It is also our understanding that NRCan neither requested nor received an extension from NWB which would have permitted it to file this submission past the deadline of August 3rd, 2018. As AEM has clearly communicated throughout this process, strict adherence by all parties to regulatory timelines is essential to meet the overall project timelines. It is unfair and disappointing that NRCan has failed to respect the deadlines set by the NWB in this process.

For these reasons, Agnico Eagle requests that the NWB not accept NRCan's submission of August 7th, 2018 for filing and not consider this submission in its decision-making in this proceeding.

Regards,

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