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To: Meadowbank Project Distribution List

Dear Parties:

In September 2007, the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) received an application from Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited for development of the Meadowbank Gold Project. On December 10, 2007, the NWB deemed the application complete and advised parties that a Technical Meeting/Pre-hearing was scheduled to start on February 26, 2008 in Baker Lake.

The NWB is seeking to obtain external engineering consulting services from BGC Engineering Inc. (BGC) to provide technical geotechnical engineering advice to the NWB on the application. On January 3, 2008, BGC notified the NWB of their prior involvement in the Meadowbank Project from 2004 to 2006 on behalf of the previous owner Cumberland Resources. The nature and extent of BGC's prior involvement is set out by BGC in the attached letter.

As you know, the uniqueness of the North is such that there is a limited number of qualified consultants available for provision of specialized engineering advisory services. Accordingly, the NWB is considering the engagement of BGC for the engineering consulting services set out above. Prior to engaging BGC the NWB is seeking comments from the parties regarding the engagement of BGC, giving express consideration to BGC's prior involvement with the Meadowbank Project.

Please submit any concerns you may have or a statement that you do not have any concerns regarding the above matter, to the undersigned at dts@nunavutwaterboard.org no later than 5:00 p.m. (MST) January 21, 2008.

If you require further clarification please contact me at (867) 350-6338.

Regards,

Original signed by:

David Hohnstein A/Director of Technical Services

Attachment: Letter from BGC to NWB dated January 3, 2008

cc: BGC Engineering Inc.