

December 14, 2007

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Re: Meadowbank Project – Response to NIRB Annual Monitoring Report

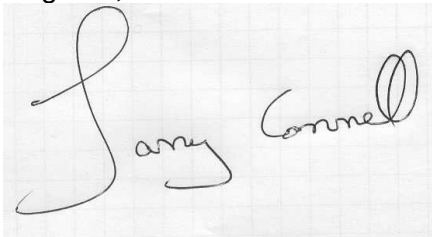
Dear Ms Hanson,

This letter is in response to recommendation 1b) in the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) 2007 Annual Monitoring Report for our Meadowbank Project, submitted to Agnico-Eagle Mines (AEM) on November 5, 2007.

The recommendation was for AEM to provide a status update regarding the Socio-Economic Monitoring Committee especially with respect to the meeting held in September, 2007. You will find attached as Appendix 1, a summary of the meeting discussions prepared by Louise Grondin AEM Vice-president Environment who attended the meeting with Martin Rioux the Meadowbank Human Resources superintendent.

I hope that you will find the attached information to your satisfaction but should you have any question or require any clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me,

Regards,



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Appendix 1
Summary of Discussions Sept 4, 2007 meeting in Iqaluit on the Meadowbank Project
Socio-Economic Monitoring

Martin Rioux and Louise Grondin met with INAC (JF Beaudesne, regional socio-economic analyst), and GN (Ed McKenna, Director Policy, Planning and Communication, Economic Development and Transportation Dept., Jamie Coles, Analyst of the same department and Josh Gladstone, Env. coordinator from the Department of Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs) on the socio-economic monitoring for the Meadowbank project.

It was agreed that to finalise the terms of reference of the SEM program, the approach would be to separate the data to collect in the program into 3 entities:

- project specific data that AEM would collect
- community specific data to which AEM does not have access but which are available to INAC or GN and that they would provide
- data that is currently not available and that would be collected in a cooperative effort between AEM and the government agencies (e.g. traditional knowledge)

Josh Gladstone had prepared a SEM program framework (taken from another project) that he tabled for AEM consideration in the preparation of the final SEM program. It was agreed that AEM would use this framework as a basis for the preparation of a second draft of the terms of reference of the SEM program. During this process consultation will take place between AEM, INAC and the GN.

At the same time discussions were held on how the GN and INAC would proceed with the Regional Socio-economic monitoring committee and its terms of reference. This is the intended process:

- in consultation with AEM and INAC, GN will finalise the terms of reference and submit them to the DMEEL (a committee of deputy ministers on environment, economy and land use);
- submit the final version to NIRB; and
- call the first meeting of the Kivalliq region SEMC .