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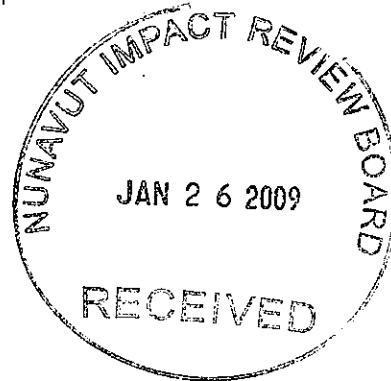


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Dear Mr. Arragutainaq:

Thank you for your letter of October 27, 2008, regarding the Nunavut Impact Review Board's decision to reconsider term and condition 32 of the Meadowbank Gold Mine Project Certificate. As explained in your letter, the Board made this decision following its review of independent applications received from Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited and the Hamlet of Baker Lake to reconsider term and condition 32, and of subsequent comments received from various parties regarding the requests.

As you indicated, term and condition 32 was developed following an extensive Part 5 review of the Meadowbank Gold Project, which focused on the assessment of impacts resulting from the operation of a private access road. As such, a decision to amend a term and condition that would allow for increased public access to the road should not be made until a thorough assessment of the environmental and socio-economic effects resulting from increased road usage has been completed.

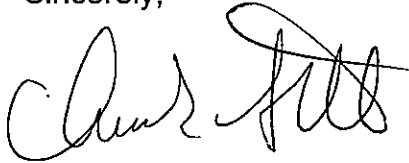
I note that the Board has committed to forwarding all relevant information to the Nunavut Planning Commission for review given that the road was the subject of a previous conformity determination. It is essential that the Board obtain confirmation from the Nunavut Planning Commission that both applications currently before the Board conform to the Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan prior to initiating a reconsideration of term and condition 32. Should the Commission determine that the Agnico-Eagle and Hamlet applications conform to the Plan, I support the Board's view that a public hearing in the Hamlet of Baker Lake is required to facilitate a thorough assessment of the proposed amendments to term and condition 32.

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Following the completion of the Board's reconsideration, I look forward to receiving a report with the recommendations for approval.

Thank you for writing. I trust that this response addresses your concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chuck Strahl". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Chuck" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Strahl".

Chuck Strahl