



February 10, 2010

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Via email: [Stéphane.Robert@agnico-eagle.com](mailto:Stéphane.Robert@agnico-eagle.com)

**Re: Application Pending Authorization and NPC Conformity for AEM's "Meadowbank Airstrip Expansion" project proposal**

Dear Stéphane Robert:

The Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd.'s (AEM) "Meadowbank Airstrip Expansion" project proposal from your office on February 4, 2010. The project proposal submission included the following documents:

- *AEM Letter to the NIRB (in English)*
- *AEM Letter to the Nunavut Water Board (in English)*
- *AEM Letter to the Kivalliq Inuit Association (in English)*
- *AEM Letter to the Nunavut Planning Commission (in English)*

Please be advised that once a request from an authorizing agency is made, the NIRB will commence screening of the project proposal in accordance with Article 12, Part 4 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA). Further, the proposed project is located in an area which may require the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) to provide a conformity determination against the Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan. The NPC will forward this conformity determination and any recommendations it may have regarding the proposal to the NIRB.

Once the Board has received a conformity determination from the NPC and a referral from an authorizing agency, the NIRB will proceed to screen the project in accordance with Article 12 of the NLCA.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me directly at 867-983-4615 or via email at [ahanson@nirb.ca](mailto:ahanson@nirb.ca).

Sincerely,



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Nunavut Impact Review Board

cc: Luis Manzo, Kivalliq Inuit Association  
Phyllis Beaulieu, Nunavut Water Board  
Amy Liu, Fisheries and Oceans Canada  
Spencer Dewar, Indian and Northern Affairs Canada  
Doug Soloway, Transport Canada  
John Clarke, Natural Resources Canada

Enclosure: AEM Letter to the NIRB (February 4, 2010)