



NIRB File No.: 03MN107

June 11, 2010

To: Meadowbank Distribution List

Re: **Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd's Meadowbank Gold Project 2009 Annual Report**

Dear Parties:

On May 26, 2010 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) received Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd's (AEM) *Meadowbank Gold Project 2009 Annual Report*. In accordance with the Meadowbank Gold Mine Project Certificate (No. 004) issued by the NIRB in December 2006, AEM is required to report annually to the NIRB on a number of activities undertaken with respect to the Meadowbank Project.

The *Meadowbank Gold Project 2009 Annual Report* can be found on the NIRB's ftp site at the following link: <http://ftp.nirb.ca/MONITORING/03MN107-MEADOWBANK/03-ANNUAL%20REPORTS/02-PROPONENT/2009/01-REPORT/>.

At this time, the NIRB requests that interested parties review the *Meadowbank Gold Project 2009 Annual Report* and provide comments with respect to their jurisdiction and/or area of expertise. Recognizing that the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) has recently requested comments pertaining to the same document, the NIRB is aligning its commenting deadline with that of the NWB and requests that parties provide submissions by **July 10, 2010**. Please advise our office if your organization requires additional time to prepare a comment submission.

Given that the NIRB monitoring program focuses on compliance and effects monitoring, the NIRB is also requests that Parties provide comments and/or information with respect to the following:

1) Effects Monitoring

- a. Whether the conclusions reached by AEM in the 2009 Annual Report are valid;
- b. Any areas of significance requiring further studies; and
- c. Changes to the monitoring program which may be required.

2) Compliance Monitoring

- a. Any instances of non-compliance with respect to any licences, permits, or authorizations that have been issued; and
- b. Whether any inspections were completed during the 2009 reporting period, and if so, a summary of the results of those inspections.

Please send all forthcoming submissions to info@nirb.ca or via fax to 867-983-2594.

Should you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me directly at ahanson@nirb.ca or via telephone at (867) 983-4615.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Amanda Hanson', with a stylized, cursive script.

Amanda Hanson
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Nunavut Impact Review Board

cc: Stéphane Robert, Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd.