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KivIA Production Lease No.: KVPL308D280

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Sent via email: licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org

Re: Clarification provided to the NIRB regarding AEM's Type A Water Licence Amendment Application for the Meadowbank Gold Project, Kivalliq Region

Dear Phyllis Beaulieu:

On October 1, 2013 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) released correspondence which indicated that Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd.'s (AEM) amendment application with the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) for its Type A Water Licence (2AM-MEA0815) for the Meadowbank Gold Project (NIRB File No. 03MN107) was exempt from the requirement for screening pursuant to Section 12.4.3 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA) and the amendment activities therein remained subject to the terms and conditions of the NIRB Project Certificate [004]. The correspondence also specified that the NIRB would give further consideration to whether any additional monitoring/reporting requirements may be necessary in light of the proposed amendment, and following receipt of further clarification from the Proponent.

The NIRB's Monitoring Officer attended the NWB's Technical Meeting and Pre-Hearing Conference for the Meadowbank Gold project held in Baker Lake on October 16 and 17, 2013. Based on the information presented by AEM and responses that were given to comments and concerns raised by parties in attendance, the NIRB can confirm that no additional monitoring or reporting with regard to the current water licence amendment are required at this time.

Should you have any questions or require clarification related to the NIRB's monitoring program for the Meadowbank Gold Project, please contact the undersigned directly at (867) 793-4633 or sgranchinho@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,



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