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Sent via email: kevin.buck@agnicoeagle.com

Re: Health Canada Response to the Nunavut Impact Review Board's 2012 – 2013 Annual Monitoring Report for the Meadowbank Gold Project and Board Recommendations

Dear Kevin Buck:

On November 27, 2013 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) issued a recommendation to Health Canada related to Condition 67 of the Meadowbank Project Certificate [No. 004] as issued for Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.'s (AEM) Meadowbank Gold Mine Project (NIRB File No. 03MN107).

On January 27, 2014 the NIRB received Health Canada's response (enclosed) to the Board's recommendation regarding AEM's preliminary quantitative risk assessment (PQRA)¹ report as related to Condition 67 of the Meadowbank Project Certificate. While this correspondence had been made available on the NIRB's public registry shortly thereafter; unfortunately, owing to an administrative oversight, notice of this correspondence was not provided to AEM or the Meadowbank distribution list until March 3, 2014. The NIRB apologizes for the delay in notifying parties and any inconvenience this may have caused.

The NIRB understands after speaking with AEM that it intends to provide a response to Health Canada's January 27, 2014 correspondence. The Board looks forward to receiving AEM's response and appreciates its efforts to this end.

¹ "Human Health Preliminary Quantitative Risk Assessment of Consumption of Country Foods for the Meadowbank Gold Project," Appendix I2 of *Meadowbank Gold Project 2011 Annual Report*, 2012. Available from: <http://ftp.nirb.ca/03-MONITORING/03MN107-MEADOWBANK%20GOLD%20MINE/03-ANNUAL%20REPORTS/02-PROPONENT/2011/01-REPORT/>.

If you have any questions or require clarification regarding the Board's recommendations or the NIRB's monitoring program for the Meadowbank project, please contact me directly at (867) 793-4633 or sgranchinho@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,



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Enclosed: Letter from Health Canada to NIRB Re: Health Canada's review of the additional information provided regarding the 2011-2012 Monitoring Report for the Meadowbank Gold Project, 2012 (*January 27, 2014*)