



NIRB File No.: 03MN107

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November 27, 2015

To: Meadowbank Distribution List

Sent via email

Re: Final Agenda for the Technical Meeting related to the NIRB's Review of AEM's Addendum to the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Vault Pit Expansion Amendment Proposal for the Meadowbank Gold Mine Project

Dear Parties:

On November 12, 2015 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) provided information on the upcoming Technical Meeting as part of the NIRB's Review of Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.'s (AEM or Proponent) Addendum to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS Addendum) submission for the Vault Pit Expansion proposal (NIRB File No. 03MN107). The NIRB requested that interested parties review the *draft* agenda for the Technical Meeting (to be held via *teleconference*) and provide input regarding the scheduling of agenda topics as may be required, by November 23, 2015. Parties did not note any changes to the *draft* agenda and the NIRB has finalized the Technical Meeting agenda as attached in Appendix A. Parties should note that the agenda is a working document, and is meant to guide the discussions during the teleconference. As such, it is subject to change as the meeting progresses. Upon re-convening after break times, the NIRB will provide parties with any updates to the agenda or notes on progress.

REQUEST TO PROPONENT

The NIRB also noted in the previous correspondence that AEM should be prepared to deliver a 30 minute presentation at the opening of the Technical Meeting which summarizes the proposed Vault Pit Expansion Project proposal, the assessment provided in the FEIS Addendum, identification of issues which have been addressed with agencies through update meetings, and those issues which remain in negotiation or have not met with resolution. The presentation should also highlight those terms and conditions within the Meadowbank Project Certificate that AEM suggests be amended. It is recommended that this presentation follow a similar thematic approach to that contained within AEM's FEIS Addendum submission and the attached final meeting agenda. The NIRB requests that AEM submit a copy of the presentation by November 30, 2015 to ensure all parties would have a copy for viewing during the teleconference.

NEXT STEPS

The NIRB would like to remind parties that technical review comments for the Vault Pit Expansion proposal is due at **12:00 pm MST, December 4, 2015**.

Furthermore, the NIRB will be providing respective attending parties with the teleconference call-in number under a separate correspondence.

Should you have any questions or require further clarification regarding the next steps in the Board's assessment of the Vault Pit Expansion proposal, please contact the undersigned at (867) 857-2052 or sgranchinho@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,



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Attachments: Appendix A – Final Agenda

NIRB File No.: 03MN107 – Vault Pit Expansion Proposal
Proponent: Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.
Location: *Teleconference Technical Meeting moderated by NIRB office in Cambridge Bay (call-in telephone number to follow)*
Dates: December 1 to 2, 2015
Times: 8:00 am – 11:00 am, 12:00 – 4:00 pm **Mountain Standard Time (MST)**

Day 1 – Tuesday, December 1, 2015

8:00 – 8:15 am	NIRB Welcome and Opening Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Objectives of Technical Meeting▪ Introduction of Participants▪ Housekeeping Items▪ Overview of Agenda
8:15 – 8:45 am	AEM Presentation - presentation to be circulated prior to teleconference
8:45 – 9:15 am	Conclusions presented in the FEIS Addendum pertaining to the physical environment including air quality and noise, and fresh water quality and quantity, soils and landforms and related mitigation/monitoring programs; including relevant management and/or mitigation plans
9:15 – 9:30 am	<i>Health Break</i>
9:30 am – 11:00 am	Physical environment including air quality and noise, fresh water, soils and landforms and related mitigation/monitoring programs; including relevant management and/or mitigation plans – <i>continued</i>
11:00 – 12:00 pm	<i>Break for Lunch</i>
12:00 – 1:45 pm	Conclusions presented in the FEIS Addendum pertaining to the terrestrial ecosystem including terrestrial environment, vegetation, wildlife, birds, habitat and related management and mitigation plans and/or programs
1:45 – 2:00 pm	<i>Health Break</i>
2:00 – 3:45 pm	Conclusions presented in the FEIS Addendum pertaining to the fish and fish habitat including management and mitigation plans and/or programs
3:45 – 4:00 pm	Afternoon session wrap-up

Day 2 – Wednesday, December 2, 2015

8:00 – 8:15 am	NIRB Opening Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Day 1 Recap and Day 2 brief
8:15 – 9:15 am	Conclusions presented in the FEIS Addendum pertaining to social, economic and cultural components, including related management and mitigation plans and/or programs
<i>9:15 – 9:30 am</i>	<i>Health Break</i>
9:30 am – 11:00 am	Social, economic and cultural components, including related management and mitigation plans and/or programs – <i>continued</i>
<i>11:00 – 12:00 pm</i>	<i>Break for Lunch</i>
12:00 – 1:45 pm	Conclusions presented in the FEIS Addendum pertaining to archaeology and cumulative effects assessment and related management and mitigation plans and/or programs
<i>1:45 – 2:00 pm</i>	<i>Health Break</i>
2:00 – 3:00 pm	NIRB discussion of next steps and Public Hearing Question and answer period for parties Conclusion of Technical Meeting