



**NIRB File No.: 03MN107**

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**Re: Notice of Correction for the NIRB's Public Hearing Report for Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.'s Vault Pit Expansion Proposal for the Meadowbank Gold Mine**

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Dear Ms. Carolyn Bennett:

It has come to the Nunavut Impact Review Board's (NIRB or Board) attention that due to a formatting error, there was an unintended omission within section 3.2 of the NIRB's Public Hearing Report with respect to Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.'s (AEM or Proponent) Vault Pit Expansion Project proposal (NIRB File No.: 03MN107) that was issued to your office on April 18, 2016. Specifically, on page 42 of the Report subsection 3.2.6 should have listed Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada, followed by subsection 3.2.7 listing Natural Resources Canada and the following associated text:

The mandate of Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) is to develop, implement and deliver policies, programs, science and technology for the sustainable development and responsible use of Canada's mineral, energy and forestry resources. NRCan has the jurisdiction to issue a licence governing the manufacturing and storage of explosives through the federal *Explosives Act*. NRCan provided scientific and technical expertise to the NIRB's Review in the areas of hydrogeology, permafrost and terrain conditions.

NRCan was involved in the NIRB process throughout and participated at the Public Hearing.

This omission has been rectified and a corrected version of the report containing the omitted text has been enclosed for your review. The Board apologizes for any inconvenience caused by this error. Please note that translated versions of the Public Hearing Report are being prepared in Inuktitut and French and the translated versions will reflect the correction and will be made publically available as soon as possible.

Please contact the NIRB's Executive Director, Ryan Barry, at (867) 983-4608 or via email at [rbarry@nirb.ca](mailto:rbarry@nirb.ca) should you have any questions or require further clarification regarding this matter.

Sincerely,



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Nunavut Impact Review Board

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Enclosure: Corrected Public Hearing Report, Vault Pit Expansion Project by Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd, NIRB File No. 03MN107