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Dear Ms. Beaulieu:

Subject: Use of Evidence from Meadowbank Public Hearing in support of Type B Applications

Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) received the Nunavut Water Board's (NWB) request dated May 20, 2008 concerning the use of evidence from the Meadowbank Public Hearing in support of the review of the Type B application (8BC-TEH0708). Two options were presented as ways to proceed with the review of the Type B Application. One option is to request that AEM respond directly to the comments provided by parties on the Type B Application and the other option is for the Board to refer to and use the public record evidence for the Type A Application currently before the Board.

DFO has no objections to either of the options presented. However, it is DFO's opinion that if Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited (AEM) responds directly to the comments provided by the parties on the Type B Application, the review of the two water license applications would remain autonomous.

I trust that this will assist the Board in assessing which option to proceed for the Type B Application for the Tehek Lake Access Road (8BC-TEH0708). Should you have any questions, please contact me by telephone at (867) 979-8007 or by fax at (867) 979-8039.

Yours sincerely,

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