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Use of Evidence from Meadowbank Public Hearing in Support of

Type B Applications

I am writing in response to the NWB's letter of May 20th, 2008 asking for AEM and all commenting parties to provide advice on whether the Board should rely upon information provided during the Meadowbank Type A Water License Public Hearing Process to fill in information gaps identified by the Board in considering the Type B Water License applications currently before the NWB.

It is AEM's opinion that the NWB should utilize all of the information put forward for both the Type A and Type B Water License applications for the Meadowbank Project in its deliberations (Option 2 identified by the NWB in the May 20th letter). All of the information submitted for the Type A and Type B Water License applications cover the same overall project, the Meadowbank Gold Mine Project, albeit different phases and components. All of this information is on the on the public record through the NWB ftp site and thus accessible to all parties. The commenting parties for all of these applications have been the same parties thus all of this information is and was available to all commenting parties as well as to the NWB. The information supporting these applications are interlinked as they all address the same Project. Consequently AEM is of the opinion that the NWB and all commenting parties should be free to utilize all of the information in their review and deliberation on the various applications in front of the NWB.

It should be noted that AEM did review all of the comments provided to the NWB by the commenting review parties on the application to amend the Type B Water License 8BC-TEH0708 and prepared a response document answering these comments as appropriate in a letter submitted to the NWB on April 25, 2008. In this response AEM addressed the comments as appropriate. In some instances the comments were issues that were solely within the NWB's purview and thus these were so marked in our response letter.

Thank you for giving us this opportunity to respond. Please feel free to call on the undersigned at your convenience to discuss further any of the issues raised through this letter.

Regards,

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