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Attention: Phyllis Beaulieu

RE: Application for the renewal of Licence No. 2AM-MEA0815, Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd.

Environment Canada (EC) has performed a completeness check of the Application for the renewal of Licence No. 2AM-MEA0815, submitted by Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd. (the Proponent), as per the Nunavut Water Board's correspondence, dated August 29, 2014. EC's comments are included below. EC's specialist advice is provided pursuant to the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act 1999*, the pollution prevention provisions of the *Fisheries Act*, the *Migratory Birds Convention Act*, and the *Species at Risk Act*.

1. EC has concerns about the review of this application, given the Proponent's expected intention to submit an amendment application in the near future regarding the Vault Pit Expansion and dewatering of Phaser Lake at the Meadowbank project site. EC encourages the Proponent to consider steps to consolidate applications wherever possible, thereby facilitating the review process.
2. EC found the following specific management plans to be poorly-labelled or missing:
 - Environmental Protection Plan
 - Shipping Management Plan
 - Fuel Management Plan
 - Oil Pollution Emergency Response Plan
 - Emergency Communications Plan
 - Accident and malfunction scenarios in the Spill Contingency Plan

While the above-mentioned management plans may be integrated into more general text, clear labelling of these management plans would significantly facilitate the review process.

For further clarification on any aspect of this submission, please contact Michael I. Mohammed at (867)-975-4637 or michael.mohammed@ec.gc.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael I. Mohammed', with a stylized, cursive script.

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cc: Loretta Ransom; Acting Head, Environmental Assessment North (NT & NU),
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