

NIRB File No.: 16MN056 NWB File No.: 2AM-WTP----

August 16, 2017

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Sent via email: ryan.vanengen@agnicoeagle.com

Re: Receipt of Final Written Submissions for the NIRB's Review of Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.'s "Whale Tail Pit" Project Proposal

Dear Parties:

On June 8, 2017 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) and Nunavut Water Board jointly released the Pre-hearing Conference Decision Report¹ for Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.'s (Agnico Eagle or Proponent) "Whale Tail Pit" project proposal (NIRB File 16MN056; "the Project"). The Pre-hearing Conference Decision included a timetable for the pre-hearing exchange of information including an invitation for Interveners to submit final written submissions to both Boards by August 14, 2017.

On or before August 14, 2017 the NIRB received final written submissions from the following parties:

- Nunavut Tunngavik Inc. and the Kivalliq Inuit Association
- Baker Lake Hunters and Trappers Organization
- Government of Nunavut
- Government of Canada including:
 - o Environment and Climate Change Canada
 - Fisheries and Oceans Canada
 - o Health Canada
 - Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada
 - Natural Resources Canada
 - Transport Canada

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¹ Nunavut Impact Review Board and Nunavut Water Board Pre-hearing Conference Decision Concerning the Whale Tail Pit Project (NIRB File No. 16MN056) and An Application for a new Type "A" Water Licence (NWB File No. 2AM-WTP----) Proposed by Agnico Eagle Mines Limited, issued June 8, 2017.

The Whale Tail Pit project proposal and all final written submissions comments as received by the NIRB can be accessed online from the NIRB's online public registry at www.nirb.ca by using any of the following search criteria:

Project Name: Whale Tail Pit Project

NIRB File No.: 16MN056Application No.: 124683

Consistent with the NIRB's Pre-hearing Conference Decision for the proposed Whale Tail Pit Project, the NIRB would like to offer Agnico Eagle an opportunity to file a response to parties' final written submissions. Pursuant to the Pre-hearing Conference Decision, the NIRB requests that Agnico Eagle submit its response via email directly to info@nirb.ca or through the online public registry at www.nirb.ca on or before **Monday**, **August 28, 2017**.

Should you have questions regarding the upcoming Final Hearing for the NIRB's Review of the Whale Tail Pit project, please contact the undersigned directly at sgranchinho@nirb.ca or by phone at (867) 857-4829.

Sincerely,

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Nunavut Impact Review Board

cc: Whale Tail Pit Distribution List

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