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Subject: Licence No.2AM-MEA0815; Submission of a Modification Request for the Meadowbank Gold Project, Airstrip Expansion

Dear Mr. Robert:

The Nunavut Water Board (“NWB”) acknowledges receipt on January 27, 2013 of a submission from Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd. requesting a modification with respect to the expansion of the current airstrip at the Meadowbank Gold Project. The submission included the following documents:

- Cover letter dated January 27, 2013
- Airstrip Expansion – NWB; Modification Application, Main Document
- Appendix A - Nunavut Planning Commission Conformity determination
- Appendix B - NIRB Screening Decision Report 10XN039
- Appendix C - DFO Letter of Advice dated Sept. 26, 2012
- Appendix D – NWB Notification of Modification; 2010
- Appendix E – Airstrip drawings
- Appendix F - Azimuth Technical Memo TSS-turbidity relationship Feb 2010 v3
- Appendix G – Emergency Response Plan V4; and
- Appendix H – Spill Contingency Plan Ver3

Information related to this submission has been placed on the NWB public registry and is available from the NWB ftp site, Username: public, Password: registry, at the following link:

<ftp://nunavutwaterboard.org> in the folder 2AM / MINING / 2AM-MEA0815 / H Modifications

This request was previously made on February 4, 2010 and a letter was subsequently issued on April 15, 2010 with respect to a determination made by the Board, requesting that an application for amendment be submitted for the activity. The recently submitted request indicates a revised undertaking which has substantially reduced the impact to Third Portage Lake and will be constructed during the winter season. A previous screening decision on the proposed activity, from the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) has been included with the request, as has a previous conformity determination provided by the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC).

The NWB will provide interested persons approximately fifteen (15) days to review the submission and make representations to the NWB. All representations shall be submitted to the NWB by mail, fax or

email before March 4, 2013, 5:00 pm Mountain Standard Time. At the end of the comment period, the NWB will review all submissions and you will be contacted should concerns arise or should additional information be required.

If you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact David Hohnstein, Director Technical Services at ph.(780) 443-4406 or email at dts@nunavutwaterboard.org, or the undersigned at (867) 360-6338 x27 or email at licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org for any other administrative matter related to the modification request.

Regards,

Original signed by:

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