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File No: 2AM-MEA0815

June 9, 2008

Honorable Chuck Strahl, P.C., M.P.  
Minister of Indian Affairs & Northern Development  
and Federal Interlocutor for Metis and Non-Status Indians  
21st Floor, 10 Wellington  
Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0H4

*By Courier, Email and Regular Mail*

**Subject: License 2AM-MEA0815 – Meadowbank Gold Mine Project, Nunavut**

Dear Minister:

Please find enclosed Licence 2AM-MEA0815 duly issued by the Nunavut Water Board (NWB). This Licence authorizes Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited (AEM), to use water and dispose of waste in relation to the operation of the Meadowbank Gold Mine Project. Reasons for Decision are also attached for your information.

As explained in the Reasons for Decision, the Board has accepted AEM's request, with support from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, to incorporate two existing Type B licences for mine related facilities (8BC-MEA0709 for the Baker Lake Marshalling Facility and 8BC-TEH0809 for the All Weather Private Access Road) into this Licence. This will allow for all of the mine related facilities to be administered and monitored under one licence.

Accordingly, the terms and conditions approved by the Board in separate decisions for the Type B licences (provided as Appendices C and D in attached Reasons for Decision) have been incorporated into this Licence. Subject to your approval of this Licence pursuant to section 56 of the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act*, the Board anticipates canceling the two Type B licences.

The Board notes that section 46 of the NWNSRTA states "[T]he expiry or cancellation of a licence does not relieve the holder from any obligations imposed by the licence." Following cancellation, to the extent that any residual obligations arising from the Type B licences are in conflict with the conditions of this Licence the Board has directed as a condition of this Licence that it prevail over the Type B licences.

If your office wishes to receive a full Records of Proceedings please contact our head office. The Licence is in your hands to be considered in accordance with section 56 of the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act*.

Please contact the undersigned in writing should you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'T. Kabloona', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Thomas Kabloona  
A/Chair

Attachment: License No: 2AM-MEA0815

c.c. Meadowbank Distribution List  
NWB Public Registry