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Mr. Lootie Toomasie Vice-Chair Nunavut Water Board PO Box 119 GJOA HAVEN NU X0B 1J0

Dear Mr. Toomasie:

Thank you for your letter of May 6, 2010, providing the Nunavut Water Board's April 26, 2010 Amendment No.1 to Licence No. 2AM-MEA0815, Marshalling Area Bulk Fuel Storage Facility Expansion (Motion 2010-03-07). I appreciate the time and effort that the Nunavut Water Board devoted to preparing this licence amendment.

I have approved the licence amendment effective immediately and a signed copy is enclosed. A copy of this letter is being sent to the Licensee, Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited, and to the designated Inuit organization, the Kivalliq Inuit Association, to inform them of my approval of this amendment to the project's water licence as required by the Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act.

Again, thank you for the Nunavut Water Board's work in addressing this licence amendment request. I am interested in monitoring the Meadowbank Gold Project's successful operation.

Sincerely,

Chuck Strahl

Encl.

c.c.: Mr. Stéphane Robert

Mr. Joe Kaludjak Mr. Luis Manzo Nunavut Water Board

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