

January 26, 2024

Lootie Toomasie Chairperson, Nunavut Water Board PO Box 119 Gjoa Haven, NU XOB 1J0

Re: Application for Amendment to the Meliadine Mine Type A Water Licence

Dear Chairperson Toomasie,

Further to our correspondence to you of December 19, 2023, Agnico Eagle Mines Limited (Agnico Eagle) is pleased to provide the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) with the enclosed application to amend Type A Water Licence 2AM-MEL1631 (the Water Licence Amendment Application).

As anticipated, the enclosed Water Licence Amendment Application is to proceed with those components of the Meliadine Mine approved by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) in 2015 with the issuance of Project Certificate No. 006, which are not included in the current scope of Type A Water Licence 2AM-MEL1631.

These components were also previously part of our previous Extension Water Licence Application, which the NWB processed from January 2023-December 2023 including through the information request, technical comment, and technical meeting process steps. As advised by NWB staff, Agnico Eagle has included relevant outcomes from the NWB process in our Water Licence Amendment Application, as many of the technical questions have been resolved through further discussions and in some cases, with additional commitments. This information should help streamline the review of the Water Licence Amendment Application by intervenors and the related NWB process.

Agnico Eagle has been transparent that the Water Licence Amendment Application is necessary to complete mining to 2031. Certain infrastructure must proceed in the second half of 2024 to support these timelines. Accordingly, Agnico Eagle is requesting that the NWB make its recommendation to the Minister within a reasonable timeline to meet these construction needs.

We look forward to the next steps in the NWB processing of the Water Licence Amendment Application and are available to discuss these important topics with your staff, as needed.

Sincerely,

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Director, Permitting & Regulatory Affairs
Agnico Eagle Mines Limited