



2AM-MEL1631 Amendment: Commitments List and List of issues

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Good Afternoon Ali,

Thank you for the opportunity to review the Commitments List and provide input on the Draft List of Issues.

1. Regarding the **Commitments List**, ECCC has the following revisions requested to the wording in the *Commitment* or *Next Steps* sections:

For ECCC-TRC-01, an **addition** is requested (in red):

Agnico Eagle directly emailed the Water Balance Section of the 2014 FEIS to ECCC on October 12, 2023. It is acknowledged this information has been publicly available since 2014 and was reviewed by ECCC previously as part of the NIRB Meliadine Application process, which resulted in approval and issuance of a Project Certificate.

Agnico Eagle has provided the information and will continue to discuss with Environment and Climate Change Canada.

Please note, ECCC is of the opinion that closure water withdrawal rates are best addressed as part of the closure process.

For ECCC-TRC-09 Part B, a **deletion** is requested (in red):

Agnico Eagle provided a comparison of results to the guidelines for the protection of aquatic life **guidelines** to Environment and Climate Change Canada on October 25.

In future updates, Agnico Eagle will provide this comparison in the Water Balance and Water Quality model report and the ICRP.

2. On the **Draft List of Issues**, ECCC has the following topics to add:

- Under the subsection of *Meliadine Lake Water Balance and Quality* (in the *Water Use and Management* section), ECCC poses to add the topic of "TDS accumulation in Meliadine Lake."
- Under the subsection of *Discharge of saline water into marine environment* (in the *Wastewater Management and Treatment* section), ECCC poses to add the topic of "Toxicity of saline effluent."

Lastly, ECCC would like to inquire to the Board, if all the information exchanged to resolve technical comments needs to be on the NWB registry? ECCC notes that some documents provided by Agnico Eagle were present on the NIRB registry, or from former processes related to the Meliadine Gold Mine project.

Thank you,

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