## Executive Summary

Agnico Eagle Mines Limited (the Proponent) submitted a Type A Water Licence Amendment Application for the Meliadine Mine (2AM-MEL1631) to the Nunavut Water Board on June 2, 2026. The mandate of Fisheries and Oceans Canada's Fish and Fish Habitat Protection Program (DFO) is to protect all fish and fish habitat. DFO conducted the review of the Water Licence Amendment Application to ensure that works, activities and undertakings are conducted in such a way that the proponents are in compliance with the applicable provisions of the *Fisheries Act*, and whether the information provided was sufficient to make such a determination. DFO's technical comments focus on the impacts of water withdrawal from Meliadine Lake, and the potential downstream impacts to fish and fish habitat in the Meliadine River and river between Meliadine Lake and Peter Lake.

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ᐊᑲᓂᓄ ᐃᔪᓪ ᐅᓴᕐᓂᓕᕆᔨᐃᓄᑦ (ᐱᓇᔭᓕᒫᑦ) ᓇᐯᓂᐅᓪᓚᐅᖅᓯᑦ ᖃᓄᐃᑦᑐᓂᖓᓪᓚᑎ A ᐃᒪᓕᒫᑦ ᓚᐃᓴᓵᓂᒃ ᐊᑦᑭᑎᐊᖅᓂᓕᒫᑦ ᐱᓇᔨᑎᑎᒃ ᒪᑕᓗᓵᖏᑎ ᐅᓴᕐᓂᓕᕆᔨᐃᓐᓇᒫᑦ (2AM-MEL1631) ᓄᓇᕗᒻᒥ ᐃᒪᓕᓐᓂᔭᓄᑦ ᑲᑎᒪᔨᖏᓵᓄᑦ ᔨᓄ 2, 2026-ᖃᐅᑎᑦᓗᐃ. ᐃᒪᖏᐅᑕᓕᓐᓂᔭᓄᑦ ᑲᓇᑕᒥ ᐃᖃᓗᓕᓐᓂᔪᓕᒫᑦ ᐃᖃᓗᐃᑦᓗ ᓇᔨᒐᖏᐃᖓᑦ ᓴᓅᔭᓂᒪᓂᕐᓗᒍᑦ ᐱᓕᓐᓂᐊᖅ (DFO) ᑲᒪᑭᓴᖏᖅᓯᑦ ᓴᓅᔭᓂᒪᓂᕐᒥᑦ ᑕᒪᐃᓵᓂᑦ ᐃᖃᓗᓐᓂᑦ ᐃᓂᑭᓕᖏᓵᓂᓪᓚᓗ. ᐃᒪᖏᐅᑕᓕᓐᓂᔭᓄᑦ ᖁᒥᖏᑐᓕᐅᖅᓯᑦ ᐃᒪᖏᓗᓚᐅᖅᓯᑦ ᐊᑦᑭᑎᐊᖅᓂᓕᒫᑦ ᐱᓇᔨᑎᑎᒃ ᖃᐅᔨᒪᑕᑎᐊᕈᒪᖏᓪᓗᓚᐅᑎᒃ ᐱᓕᓐᓂᐊᕐᖓᔪᑦ ᐱᓕᓐᓂᐊᕐᖓᓚᐅᖏᓐᓂᒪᓕᖅᑕᓗᓚᐅᑎᒃ ᑕᒪᐃᓚᐅᓂᓪᓗᑎᒃ ᐃᓗᓕᓐᓂᐊᕐᖓᓪᓗᑎᒃ ᐊᑐᓂᓪᓗᑎᒃ ᐃᓗᓕᓐᓂᐊᕐᖓᓪᓗᑎᒃ ᑕᒪᐃᓚᐅᓂᓪᓗᑎᒃ ᐃᓗᓕᓐᓂᐊᕐᖓᓪᓗᑎᒃ ᐃᓕᓴᕐᓂᐊᕐᓗᒍ ᐃᓗᓕᓐᓂᐊᕐᖓᓪᓗᑎᒃ