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Mr. Richard Dwyer
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**Re: Meliadine Project, Agnico Eagle Amendment Application for Water Licence
2AM-MEL1631: Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada
comments on additional information provided by Agnico Eagle as per the
Commitments List following the Pre-public Hearing Conference**

Dear Mr. Dwyer,

Thank you for your January 25, 2021 invitation for comment on the additional information provided by Agnico Eagle as per the Commitments List following the Pre-public Hearing Conference.

Pursuant to its mandated responsibilities under the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act* and the *Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development Act*, Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) reviewed the documents provided by Agnico Eagle and would like to provide the following response to the Nunavut Water Board:

1. For item #8 on the Commitments List, CIRNAC will update its security estimate based on the additional information provided in the Interim Closure and Reclamation Plan by Agnico Eagle and work with the Kivalliq Inuit Association and Agnico Eagle to reach an agreement.
2. For items #13 and #14 on the Commitment List, CIRNAC is satisfied with the additional information provided by Agnico Eagle.



CIRNAC appreciates the opportunity to participate in this review. If there are any questions, please contact me at (867) 975-4555 or david.zhong@canada.ca, or Sarah Forté at (867) 975-3876 or sarah.forte@canada.ca.

Sincerely,

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