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**Licence No: 2AM-MEL1631  
2BE-MEL2434**

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**RE: NWB Technical Review of the 2024 Annual Report for Water Licence 2AM-MEL1631 and 2BE-MEL2434, issued to Agnico Eagle Mines Limited for the Meliadine Mine Project.**

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Ms. Prather,

The Nunavut Water Board (NWB or Board) has completed the technical review of the 2024 Annual Report (Report), for the Water Licences 2AM-MEL1631 and 2BE-MEL2434, issued to Agnico Eagle Mines Limited (Agnico Eagle or Licensee or AEM) for the operation of the Meliadine Mine Project. The Annual Report was received on March 31, 2025.

The NWB distributed the submissions to interested parties on April 2, 2025, for a ninety (90) day public review, with a deadline of July 2, 2025.

The NWB received a request from Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) to extend the deadline to July 18, 2025. By July 18, 2025, the NWB received comments from Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC), Kivalliq Inuit Association (KivIA), Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC), and Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO). Agnico Eagle provided responses to comments and information requests on August 18, 2025. By September 22, 2025, all interveners had confirmed that their comments were addressed and that they had no further comments.

Copies of all documents, including Intervenors' comments and responses received during the review can be accessed through the NWB's Public Registry site using the following link:

[2AM-MEL1631 2024 Annual Report](#)

The following table provides a brief summary of the issues identified during the Report review that pertain to the NWB's mandate, which require follow up. The table provides comments/deadlines for the Licensee to provide information. For the Intervenors' discussion of

these items, please refer to the comment submissions referenced above. It should be noted that a number of questions/comments from Interveners were addressed during the review process; therefore, these items are not included within the table.

#	Comment / Recommendation	NWB comment / note / deadline
Kivalliq Inuit Association (KivIA)		
KivIA-4	The geotechnical inspection recommends better snow removal practices for D-CP1 to mitigate the warming trend in the dike foundation and also recommends more rock fill as a thermal cover and to promote better drainage for the CP-2 area, channels 1, 4, 5 7 and 10 and WRSF-1 and WRSF-3. The KivIA looks forward to reviewing the results of these recommendations in the 2025 Annual report.	Agnico Eagle will report on this request in the 2025 Annual Report.

Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs (CIRNA)		
R-06	CIRNAC recommends the inclusion of water quality figures with observed and predicted parameter concentrations for TIRI02 in the Annual Report.	Agnico Eagle will report on this request in future Annual Reports.
R-09	CIRNAC recommends including a statement in the body of the Annual Report on tailings deposition underground and a reference to the Mine Waste Management Plan Also provide updates on the status of detailed designs for an expanded TSF, the timing of expansion and what regulatory authorizations are necessary.	Agnico Eagle stated that the quantity of tailings sent underground is reported in the monthly report and agreed to include this information in future Annual Reports. Agnico Eagle also clarified that the detail design of an expanded TSF is expected in 2026, not 2025.
R-10	CIRNAC recommended potential additions to the body of the Annual Report, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ details of actual and planned mining for the next two years;</li> <li>▪ total tailings generated by the mill during the reporting period;</li> <li>▪ a high-level summary on the nature and location of non-reportable spills</li> </ul>	Agnico Eagle stated that they will consider these recommendations for future Annual Reports.

Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC)		
EC-2	ECCC recommends updates to Table 3.1 of the Spill Contingency Plan to include the maximum amount of each substance anticipated to be on site in the next version of the plan.	Agnico Eagle will include the requested information in the next iteration of the plan.
EC-3	ECCC recommends including a map showing storage locations for hazardous substances within the Spill Contingency Plan.	Agnico Eagle will include the requested information in the next iteration of the plan.
EC-4	ECCC recommends adding a reference to the Hazardous Materials Management Plan, in the Spill Contingency Plan, to indicate that additional mitigation measures and storage practices may be found in that document. ECCC also recommended updated wording on page 8 on the plan.	Agnico Eagle will include the requested updates in the next iteration of the plan.
EC-8	ECCC recommends updating references to “MSDS” or “Material Safety Data Sheets” to “SDS” or “Safety Data Sheets”.	Agnico Eagle will include the requested updates in the next iteration of the plan.
EC-9	ECCC requested clarification whether diesel tanks at the Itivia Oil Handling Facility are single- or double-walled, and make corrections in the Hazardous Materials Management Plan.	Agnico Eagle confirmed that the Itivia Fuel Tanks are double walled and will correct this information in the Hazardous Materials Management Plan.
EC-13	ECCC recommends including, in the Water Balance and Water Quality Model, the new proposed timelines for discharges from pit TIRI02 to Itivia Harbour through the waterline and a discussion of capacity to manage saline water volumes through 2026 and 2027.	Agnico Eagle will include the requested information in the next iteration of the plan.
EC-14	ECCC recommends the development of a Moderate Action Level for water quality in peninsula lakes.	Agnico Eagle stated that they will consider developing Low and Moderation Action Levels for the Peninsula Lakes and will provide an update in the 2025 AEMP Report and next AEMP Design Plan.

Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO)		
DFO-2	DFO recommends that Agnico Eagle provide Catch per unit effort (CPUE) data available for each year in future annual reports. Providing historical data in conjunction with current data would allow for to be made between years.	Agnico Eagle provided existing CPUE data for Threespine Stickleback and Lake Trout, and agreed to provide the requested CPUR data in future annual reports.

After completing the review of the 2024 Annual Report submissions for the Meliadine Mine Project Licences 2AM-MEL1631 and 2BE-MEL2434, the NWB has determined that the information provided generally addresses the requirements of current Water Licence. Please ensure the comments provided in the table above are addressed by the deadlines specified.

The NWB recommends that Agnico Eagle submit separately, for approval, the management plans which have significant update. For those plans which do not have any significant updates or revisions, they can be submitted within the Annual Report. All plans submitted for review will include a version control section, clearly stating the nature of changes in the plan, and identification within the document highlighting where changes have been made.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned at (867) 360-6338 (ext. 33) or [ali.shaikh@nwb-oen.ca](mailto:ali.shaikh@nwb-oen.ca), at your earliest convenience.

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Enclosed: Comments – KivIA, CIRNA, ECCC, DFO

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