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2AM-MEL1631

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Our file - Notre référence
IQALUIT-#1110480

Licencing Department
Nunavut Water Board
P.O. Box 119
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Sent via email: licensing@nwb-oen.ca

Dear Licencing Department,

Re: Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada's (INAC) Response to AEM's Comments on Oct 20, 2016 in Relation to INAC's Review of Final Construction Drawing for Berm 3 and Channel 5, Agnico Eagle Mines Limited's Meliadine Gold Project, Part D, Item 1 and 2 of Type 'A' Water Licence No. 2AM-MEL1631

Thank you for your October 20, 2016 request to review the Agnico Eagle Mines Limited's (AEM) response dated October 20, 2016 regarding the above mentioned.

AEM has provided confidence that the material to be used is expected to be non-potential acid generating (non-PAG) as well as reporting a low potential for metal leaching. This is based on samples of rock types taken from the area and static and on-going kinetic testing of waste rock samples.

INAC is satisfied with AEM's response as long as continued testing shows the material being used is non-PAG and has low potential for metal leaching.

Please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone at 867-975-4282 or email at ian.parsons@aandc-aadnc.gc.ca for further information.

Sincerely,

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