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Subject: Design Report for Culverts Meliadine Project, Nunavut; Type A Water Licence 2AM-MEL1631, Meliadine Gold Project, Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd.

Dear Ms. Turmel and Mr. Quesnel:

The Nunavut Water Board (“NWB”) received from Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd. (AEM or Licensee) on July 29, 2016 the “Design Report for Culverts Meliadine Project, Nunavut” (Report) as a requirement of Part D, Item 1 of the Licence 2AM-MEL1631 (Licence). The Report was completed by Tetra Tech Industries Inc. for AEM and dated July 2016.

AEM stated in their submission that as part of its water management strategy and to minimize the potential negative impacts of mining development on the surrounding environment including habitats for fish and wildlife, and to facilitate mine operation and long-term closure and reclamation of the mine site, Agnico Eagle - Meliadine Project is planning on installing two (2) culverts (Culvert3 and Culvert4 as per the 2AM-MEL1631 Water Management Plan) along the service road to the industrial pad. The construction is planned to start August 28, 2016.

The Report was distributed for ten (10) day comment period on August 2, 2016. Comments were received from Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) on August 12, 2016. In its comment INAC stated that *INAC is satisfied that the construction plans submitted for inserting culverts 3 and 4 at the Meliadine Gold mine are adequate in addressing any environmental concerns at this time.*

The Board is also satisfied that the Report addresses the requirements of Part D, Item 2 of Licence 2AM-MEL1631, and has approved the Design Report for Culverts, Meliadine Project, Nunavut through Board Motion No. 2016-A1-003, dated August 17, 2016, as required by Part D, Item 1 of Licence. The Licensee is advised that the Board's "approval" of this document is a verification that the proposed activity is consistent with the existing terms and conditions of the Licence and more specifically with the Part D, Item 2, and may proceed in accordance with the Report and drawings provided. It should be noted that the Board's "approval" is NOT intended or offered as any representation regarding the suitability of the plans nor third party verification of the design, construction, planning or engineering discussed in the document.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned at (867) 360-6338 or karen.kharatyan@nwb-oen.ca at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,

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