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Subject: Design Report for Culverts #7, #8, #10, #11, #16; 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. (Agnico Eagle or Licensee) on July 31, 2017, the Construction Design Report entitled "Design Report for Culverts #7, #8, #10, #11, #16 Meliadine Project, Nunavut" dated August 2017, including Engineered for Construction Drawings (Report) for the proposed infrastructure completed by Tetra Tech Canada Inc. as a requirement of Part D, Item 1 of the Licence 2AM-MEL1631 (Licence).

The Construction Design Report or Report summarizes the site conditions, design basis, and considerations including the final design and construction drawings for the culverts #7, #8, #10, #11, #16, as specified under Water License 2AM-MEL1631, Part D Item 1.

The Report states that Culverts #7, #8, #10, #11 and #16 are required to allow the passage of runoff water under the future haul roads around Portal#2. The runoff water from Portal#2 area is flowing downstream into CP1... The culverts that are proposed will be in service for up to 15 years. The standard galvanized, corrugated steel pipe culvert, with a profile of 68x13 mm and a minimum thickness of 2.0 mm is proposed.

The Report was distributed for a public review and comments with a deadline for submission set at August 10, 2017. On August 8, 2017 and August 9, 2017, respectively, the NWB received correspondence from Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) and Environment and Climate Change

Canada (ECCC), advising the Board that they do not have specific comments at this time. On August 10, 2017, the Board received communication from Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC), stating that INAC has reviewed the submission in accordance with its mandate and has no comments at this time.

By copy of this letter the Board acknowledges that the Report addresses the requirements of Part D Item 2 of Licence 2AM-MEL1631, and has approved the Reports through the Board Motion No. 2017-A1-014, as required by Part D, Item 1 of Licence. The Licensee is also advised that the Board's "approval" of these documents is a verification that the proposed activities are 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 Reports 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 documents.

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.

Regards,

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