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RE: Type A Water Licence No: 2AM-MEL1631 for the Meliadine Gold Project; Agnico Eagle Mines Limited; Design Report for Fuel Farm at PUMP Underground Portal

Dear Ms. Robitaille:

On February 16, 2026, the Nunavut Water Board (NWB or the Board) received an updated Design Report and drawings (Design Report or Report) from Agnico Eagle Mines Limited (Agnico Eagle or Licensee) titled Agnico Eagle Fuel Farm – PUMP U/G Portal, Design Report for Fuel Farm, dated February 3, 2026. This notification is required under Part D, Item 1 of the type A Water Licence 2AM-MEL1631.

Agnico Eagle has stated that *“The entire fuel farm area will be surrounded by impermeable berms to contain any potential leaks from the tank or piping. The pumping station and refueling area will be installed on a lined pad with an impermeable membrane to allow for easy removal of contaminated material in case of a spill. The containment capacity is calculated as the combined volume of both tanks, with a security coefficient applied.”*

The construction activities are scheduled for July-August 2026. Installation of the pumping station, fuel and urea dispensers, piping, and tank, are scheduled for September 2026. The commissioning of all components is expected to be completed by the end of 2026.

A Design Report for this activity was originally submitted on June 26, 2025. On July 23, 2025, the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) sent a correspondence¹ to Agnico Eagle stating the following:

The PUMP02 portal and its associated activities are currently not authorized under the Water Licence. The NWB is reviewing them as part of the 2025 Modification request that Agnico Eagle submitted on June 27, 2025. Since this Design Report for a

¹ [Email from A. Shaikh to J. Robitaille, Subject: 2AM-MEL1631 Design Report - Fuel Farm at PUMP Underground Portal, dated July 23, 2025](#)

Fuel Farm at PUMP Underground Portal is related to the 2025 Modification request, the NWB will continue reviewing the Design Report once the 2025 Modification is formally authorized.

Agnico Eagle submitted the updated Design Report on February 16, 2026, the NWB distributed this Report for public review. Interested parties were invited to comment until March 6, 2026. The NWB received submissions from Crown Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNA) and Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO). In their submission, DFO stated that they did not have any concerns at this time.

Agnico Eagle responded to interveners' comments on March 30, 2026. CIRNA confirmed on March 31, 2026 that their concerns were addressed.

A summary of the submissions is provided below:

Crown Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNA)

1. CIRNA requested confirmation that no part of the Fuel Farm will be within 31 m from the high-water mark of nearby water bodies.

Response: Agnico Eagle clarified that *“the lake shown in the figure is Lake A8, which was dewatered in 2025. The fuel farm will be located no closer than 31 m from the high-water mark of any freshwater body.”*

2. CIRNA requested a copy of the Sediment and Erosion Management Plan and inquired about measure to be taken during fuel farm construction to prevent sedimentation and erosion, including the proposed materials, location and extent, place methods and quantities required.

Response: Agnico Eagle stated that *“Lake A8 was dewatered in 2025 and is now a managed waterbody. The proposed fuel farm is located within the drainage catchment of Lake A8, such that any surface runoff or seepage from the area reports to the managed collection system rather than directly to a natural receiving environment. Water collected within this catchment is actively managed and pumped to CPI for residual total suspended solids (TSS) treatment at the EWTP-WTC in accordance with site water management procedures, which significantly reduces the potential for uncontrolled sediment migration. Construction activities will be monitored in accordance with the approved Sediment and Erosion Management Plan.”*

3. CIRNA recommended that Agnico Eagle amend the fuel farm pad design to meet, at a minimum, all applicable legislation and industry standards including the Environmental Code of Practice for Aboveground and Underground Storage Tank Systems Containing Petroleum and Allied Petroleum Products, 2003; CCME PN1326 (Updated in 2015) or most recent standards.

Response: Agnico Eagle confirmed that *“the slope of the pad within the dykes will exceed 1%. The conception, drawings, and design report will be updated in a timely manner in*

accordance with Section 3.10.2 of Part 3 of the Code of Practice for Storage Tank Systems Containing Petroleum and Allied Petroleum Products (CCME, 2003).”

4. CIRNA recommended that Agnico Eagle amend the design report to include plans to monitor the construction site during and after remarkable rainfall events, with sampling of runoff/Seepage where turbidity is evident.

Response: Agnico Eagle referred to their response to #2.

5. CIRNA requested confirmation that any proposed laydown or stockpile areas will be at least 31 m from the high-water mark of nearby water bodies.

Response: Agnico Eagle referred to their response to #1 and confirmed that neither the fuel farm nor any temporary construction stockpiles will be located within 31 m of a freshwater body.

Copies of all documents received in support of the Report can be accessed through the NWB's Public Registry and FTP site using the following Link:

[Link to all submissions for this Design Report](#)

NWB's Review and Decision

The Licensee is advised that the Board's review 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 Part D, Item 1. It should be noted that the Board's acceptance 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.

Further, in keeping with Part D, Item 3 and 4 of the Licence's terms and conditions, the submission of post-construction information, including as-built plans and drawings, shall remain applicable to this authorization.

Should you have any questions regarding the above, please contact the NWB Licensing Department by email to licensing@nwb-oen.ca or by phone at (867) 360-6338.

Sincerely,



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