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Subject: Design Report for Ore Storage Pad 2; Type "A" Water Licence 2AM-MEL1631, Meliadine Gold Project, Agnico Eagle Mines Limited

Dear Mr. Chernoloz and Mr. Quesnel:

The Nunavut Water Board ("NWB") received from Agnico Eagle Mines Limited (Agnico Eagle or Licensee) on May 15, 2018, the document entitled: "Ore Storage Pad 2 Design Report and Drawings" (Report) as a requirement of Part D, Item 1 of Water Licence 2AM-MEL1631 (Licence). The Report was dated May 2018.

This Report summarizes the design basis and detailed design criteria for ore storage pad OP2 (Stage 1), in addition to construction related items including estimated in-situ volumes and drawings. Ore storage pad OP1 (Stage 2) will be part of a separate Design Report and drawings.

The following construction and operation schedules are assumed within the Report:

- 1. Start construction in early June, 2018;
- 2. Complete approximately 25% of the construction by end August, 2018;
- 3. Start operation (placement of ore) in August, 2018;

4. Complete Stage 1 construction and operation until design capacity is achieved (expected mid-2022).

On May 15, 2018, the Report was distributed for interested parties' review with a deadline for submissions set at May 29, 2018. On May 29, 2018, the Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) advised the Board that they do not have any comments at this time.

The Board is satisfied that the Report addresses the requirements of Part D, Item 2 of Licence 2AM-MEL1631, and has approved the Design Report for Ore Storage Pad 2 through Board Motion No. 2018-A1-003, dated June 6, 2018, 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.

Regards,

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