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**Subject: Design Report for Rankin Inlet Bypass Road Culverts C13 and C14; Type “A”
Water Licence 2AM-MEL1631, Meliadine Gold Project, Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd.**

Dear Mr. Chernoloz and Mr. Quesnel:

The Nunavut Water Board (“NWB”) received from Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd. (AEM or Licensee) on October 2, 2017 the “Design Report for Rankin Inlet Bypass Road Culverts C13 and C14 Meliadine Project, Nunavut” and associated drawings (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 September 2017.

AEM stated in their submission that *Agnico Eagle intends to build a bypass road to divert traffic around the community of Rankin Inlet to minimize impacts on the Community (dust, noise, traffic, etc...).* The bypass road will be 6.1 km long.

Following the water management plan, several group of culverts will be installed along the road to allow surface water to drain properly. The required culverts are Culvert C13 and Culvert C14, located on the west portion of the Rankin Inlet Bypass Road, north of Nipissak Lake and east of a small lake, in a section between an existing community road and the actual All-weather Access Road (AWAR).

On October 2, 2017, the Report was distributed for interested parties’ review with a deadline for submissions set at October 12, 2017. The NWB did not receive 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 Rankin Inlet Bypass Road Culverts C13 and C14 through Board Motion No. **2017-A1-018**, dated November 1, 2017, 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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