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RE: Agnico Eagle Meliadine Design Report for SETP Upgrade

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Environment Climate Change Canada (ECCC) has reviewed the responses provided by Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd. (AEM) related to the design report for saline effluent treatment plant (SETP) upgrades according to our mandate. ECCC notes that AEM's response has not fully addressed our comments. ECCC requested AEM provide information on how they will achieve total dissolved solids (TDS) reductions in the effluent. In their response, AEM stated:

"The TDS reduction will be achieved as presented in section 3.6 of the report. (6526-680-132-REP-001)..."

However, Section 3.6 provides no details on how TDS is treated, stating only:

3.6 PH AND TDS ADJUSTMENT REACTOR

Treated waters (both from SETP GAC filters and Actiflo) and treated CP1 contact water flow into the pH and TDS adjustment reactor where pH and TDS are adjusted. Sulfuric acid will be used for pH adjustment in this reactor.

The process flow diagram was referenced in the response but provides no further details.

ECCC acknowledges that the purpose of the design document is to describe upgrades to the SETP, but as TDS levels in effluent may be affected by the volume increases associated with the upgrade, this question is relevant to the document under review.

Regards,

Eva

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Good afternoon,

The NWB request parties confirm by July 20, 2020 whether or not AEM response addresses parties' comments.

Regards,

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