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2AM-MEL1631

June 17, 2019

Our file - Notre référence
IQALUIT-# 1253872

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Sent via email: licensing@nwb-oen.ca

Dear Mr. Dwyer,

**Re: Crown - Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) Review of
Agnico Eagle Mines Limited Saline Effluent Treatment Plant Design Report -
Water Licence 2AM-MEL1631 - Meliadine Gold Project**

Thank you for the May 17, 2019 notice by the Nunavut Water Board regarding the above mentioned Saline Effluent Treatment Plant Design Report.

Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) has provided comments and recommendations pursuant to mandated responsibilities under the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act* and the *Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development Act*.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for further information at 867 222 9278 or by email at Ian.Parsons@canada.ca.

Sincerely,

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Technical Memorandum

A) Results of Review

Comment: CIRNAC has found no significant issues with the design report. However, based on the documents provided CIRNAC would require further information on how this saline water treatment system works to enable a more effective technical review by the intervenor.

Recommendation: CIRNAC requires more information that better clarifies how the Saline Water Treatment Plant and the Saline Effluent Treatment Plant work, (how are they connected?) to enable more effective review.