



April 3rd, 2019

Richard Dwyer  
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**Re: Agnico Eagle Mines – Meliadine Division Response to the Saline Pond Recommendations from KIA**

Dear Mr. Dwyer,

As requested, the following information and comments are intended to address the comments outlined in the report below:

- Kivalliq Inuit Association (KIA) Technical Review on the Design Report for the Saline Pond #3 at Meliadine – Agnico Eagle Mines Limited.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

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**Comment:** Can AEM confirm that the Run of Mine (ROM) material will be non-potentially acid generating (NPAG).

**AEM Response:** Geochemical testing of the ROM is conducted through the underground sampling program – no additional sampling/testing is conducted once this material has been brought to surface. Results of previous geochemical characterizations indicate that the waste rock from the Tiriganiaq deposit is considered non-potentially acid generating and has a low potential for metal leaching.

**Comment:** Once available can AEM provide the KivIA with the type of bonding material that will be used on the nonwoven geotextile.

**AEM Response:** Bonding between non-woven geotextile panels is achieved by either applying heat (heat tacking) or sewing