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File No.: **2AM-MEL1631/TR/D1, D2**

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RE: Design Report for Waste Rock Storage Facility 3; Type “A” Water Licence No. 2AM-MEL1631, Meliadine Gold Project, Agnico Eagle Mines Limited

Dear Ms. Savoie:

The Nunavut Water Board (NWB or Board) has completed a technical review of the construction design report entitled “*Waste Rock Storage Facility 3 (WRSF3) Design Report and Drawings*” dated March 2020 (Report) provided to the Board by Agnico Eagle Mines Limited (Agnico Eagle) on March 5, 2020 to fulfill the requirements of Part D, Item 1 of the Water Licence No. 2AM-MEL1631 (Licence).

The Report summarizes the site conditions, design basis and key parameters adopted for design, and for-construction design drawings for the Waste Rock Storage Facility #3, as specified under Part D Item 1 of the Licence.

Upon receipt, the submission was distributed for a public review with a deadline for comments set at March 23, 2020. In correspondence dated March 13, 2020, the Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) indicated that they do not have any comments at this time. In correspondence dated March 24, 2020, Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs (CIRNA) indicated that they have no comments or concerns with the design report and drawings.

All correspondence relevant to this submission is available from the NWB’s ftp site using the following link:

<ftp://ftp.nwb-oen.ca/registry/2%20MINING%20MILLING/2A/2AM%20-%20Mining/2AM-MEL1631%20Agnico/3%20TECH/D%20CONSTRUCTION/Waste%20Rock%20Storage%20Facility%203/>

By copy of this letter the Board acknowledges that the Report addresses the requirements of Part D, Item 2 of Licence No. 2AM-MEL1631, and has approved the Report through the Board Motion No. 2019-A1-017, dated March 30, 2020, as required by Part D, Item 1 of the Licence. The Licensee is advised that the Board's "approval" of this document is a verification that the proposed activities are consistent with the existing terms and conditions of the Licence, and more specifically with 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 documents.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned at (867) 360-6338 (extension 29) or sergey.kuflevskiy@nwb-oen.ca, at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,



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