

January 27, 2021

Richard Dwyer

Manager of Licensing
Nunavut Water Board (NWB)
P.O. Box 119, Gjoa Haven, NU XOB 1JO
By email: richard.dwyer@nwb-oen.ca
licensing@nwb-oen.ca

Tracey McCaie

Manager Land Administration Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) P.O. Box 100, Iqaluit, NU X0A 0H0 By email: tracey.mccaie@canada.ca; isa.qamaniq-mason@canada.ca

Carson Gillis

Director, Lands and Resources Nunavut Tunngavik Inc. (NTI) P.O. Box 1269, Cambridge Bay, NU XOB 0C0 By email: cgillis@tunngavik.com;

Brenda Osmond

Lands Administrator
Kivalliq Inuit Association (KivIA)
P.O. Box 340, Rankin Inlet, NU XOC 0G0
By email: bosmond@kivalliqinuit.ca;
aburton@kivalliqinuit.ca

Amy Robinson

Manager, Land Use Planning; Department of Environment (GN-DOE) P.O. Box 1000, Iqaluit, NU XOA 0H0 By email: arobinson@gov.nu.ca; dgissing@gov.nu.ca

Chris Spencer

Environmental Coordinator
Dept of Economic Dev. & Transportation (EDT)
Tourism and Cultural Industries Division
P.O. Box 1000,Iqaluit, NU X0A 0H0
By email: cspencer@gov.nu.ca

Talia Maksagak

Manager, Technical Administration Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) P.O. Box 1360, Cambridge Bay, NU XOB OCO By email: tmaksagak@nirb.ca, info@nirb.ca

Manon Turmel

Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.

10600 Rue Louis-Bisson

Mirabel Quebec J7C0T6 Canada

nunavut.environment.permitting@agnicoeagle.com;
jamie.quesnel@agnicoeagle.com;
michel.groleau@agnicoeagle.com

Dear Mr. Dwyer, Ms. McCaie, Ms. Gillis, Ms. Osmond, Ms. Robinson Mr. Spencer, Ms. Maksagak, and Ms. Turmel:

RE: NPC File # 149446 [Whale Tail Pit Project – Adaptive Management Plan]

- Related NPC File No.: 148297 [Whale Tail Pit Project Meadowbank Division]; and 148953 [Whale Tail Pit Expansion Project]
- Related NIRB File No.: 03MN107, 11EN010 16MN056; Related NWB File No.: 2AM-WTP1830.
- Location: Kivalliq Region; [near Amaruq, 125 km North of Baker Lake].

The following works and activities have been proposed in the above-noted project proposal:

1. Revision of the adaptative management plan for approval as part of water licensing process.

A complete description of the project proposal reviewed by the NPC can be accessed online using the link below.

The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) has completed its review of the above noted project proposal. The NPC previously reviewed works and activities associated with the current proposal conformity determination issued on June 17, 2016, October 16, 2018 which still applies. In addition, associated activities were previously reviewed by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB FILE NOs: 03MN107, 11EN010, 16MN056; and NIRB Project Certificates No. 4 and No. 8). It conforms to the Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan (KRLUP). The proponent has undertaken to comply with the applicable conformity requirements of Appendix C, G, and H of the KRLUP.

The above-noted project proposal is exempt from screening by the NIRB because the NPC is of the understanding that the revision of the revised management plan does not change the general scope of the original or previously amended project activities, and the exceptions noted in Section 12.4.3 (a) and (b) of the Nunavut Agreement do not apply.

By way of this letter, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal to the regulatory authorities identified by the proponent. Project materials, including the applicable conformity requirements, are available at the following address:

https://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=149446&sessionid=

This conformity determination applies only to the above noted project proposal as submitted. The regulatory authorities to which this letter is addressed are responsible under the Nunavut Agreement to implement any of the applicable conformity requirements by incorporating the requirements directly, or otherwise ensuring that they must be met, in the terms and conditions of any authorizations issued.

My office would be pleased to discuss how best to implement the applicable requirements and to review any draft authorizations that regulatory authorities wish to provide for that purpose. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 979-3444.

Sincerely,

Goump Djalogue

Senior Planner, MCIP, RPP

Nunavut Planning Commission