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Re: Update to Anticipated Process for the NIRB's Assessment of Agnico Eagle Mines Limited's "Whale Tail Pit Expansion Project" Proposal for the Whale Tail Pit Project

Dear Jamie Quesnel:

On January 10, 2019 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) issued correspondence¹ regarding its positive conformity determination for Agnico Eagle Mines Limited's (Agnico Eagle; the Proponent) Final Environmental Impact Statement Addendum (FEIS Addendum) in support of the "Whale Tail Pit Expansion Project" proposal and commenced the technical review period.

The process map² accompanying the correspondence outlined the anticipated process and dates for the assessment of the Whale Tail Pit Expansion proposal.

On January 22, 2019 the NIRB received a request³ from Agnico Eagle proposing shortening of specific steps in the process and justifications. As a result of this feedback, the NIRB consulted with the Northern Projects Management Office⁴ and the Kivalliq Inuit Association⁵ to confirm participant capacity and community availability related to the shortening of the timelines. Following these discussions and input by these parties, the NIRB has updated the process map to reflect several key items discussed with these parties (see enclosure).

¹ Public Registry ID: 322049

² Public Registry ID: 322051

³ Public Registry ID: 322799

⁴ Public Registry ID: 322785

⁵ Public Registry ID: 322800

Documents related to the assessment of Agnico Eagle's Whale Tail Pit Expansion Project proposal and as discussed throughout this correspondence can be accessed via the NIRB's online public registry at www.nirb.ca/project/125418.

Questions related to the NIRB's assessment of the Whale Tail Pit Expansion Project should be directed to either Sophia Granchinho, Manager Impact Assessment at sgranchinho@nirb.ca or (867)857-4829 or Erin Reimer, Technical Advisor I, at ereimer@nirb.ca or (867) 857-4566.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure (1): Updated Anticipated Process Map for NIRB Assessment of Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.'s
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