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Re: Technical Comments from Government of Canada for Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.'s "Whale Tail Pit"
Project Proposal
NWB File No. 2AM-WTP

Dear Mr. Kharatyan,

Thank you for your January 27, 2017 letter requesting technical comments from federal departments on the Environmental Impact Assessment and the Proponent's Information Request Response Package for the Whale Tail Project proposed by Agnico Eagles Mines Ltd. The Northern Projects Management Office (NPMO) is responding on behalf of the federal departments including Indigenous and Northern Affairs, Environment and Climate Change, and Fisheries and Oceans.

The federal departments have reviewed the information provided about the project proposal. As requested, please find attached to this letter their comments to the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) for the Whale Tail Pit project proposal. (Attachments 2 – 4)

A contact list from federal departments for this project is also attached. (Attachment 1)

We look forward to participating in future stages of the review of the Whale Tail Pit project proposal.

Sincerely,

Matthew Spence
Director General
Northern Projects Management Office

Cc: Elizabeth Patreau, Senior Fisheries Protection Biologist, Fisheries and Oceans Canada
Ian Parsons, Regional Coordinator, Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada
Melissa Pinto, Environmental Assessment Coordinator, Environment and Climate Change Canada

Enclosed (4): 1. Federal Contact List
2. Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada
3. Fisheries and Oceans Canada
4. Environment and Climate Change Canada