



October 26th, 2018

Karen Kharatyan
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Re: NWB File No. 2AM WTP 1826 – Fulfillment of Part B Item 15 – submission of management plan updates.

Dear Mr. Kharatyan,

Agnico Eagle thanks the Nunavut Water Board (NWB), Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC), Crown and Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) and Kivalliq Inuit Association (KIA) for the opportunity to address the comments and recommendations on management plans submitted by Agnico Eagle as per Part B Item 15 of the NWB License 2AM WTP1826.

As requested, please find attached responses which address:

- the recommendations by CIRNAC, ECCC and KIA,
- address the commitments made with respect to the issues raised during the technical review the Whale Tail Pit Public Hearings, and
- reflect Agnico Eagle's operational experience, gained through 10 years of operating the Meadowbank Mine but tailored to the Whale Tail Pit project.

On October 17th and 18th, 2018, Agnico Eagle met with CIRNAC, presented an update on modelling results, updated validation of the modelling and came to agreement on how to address the CIRNAC recommendations; a common understanding was gained during these meetings and are reflected in this response package. Attached you will find the presentation that guided the October 17th and 18th, 2018 discussion between Agnico Eagle, CIRNAC and our subject matter experts and summarize the updated results of the hydrogeological, water quality and geochemical data at Whale Tail Pit. Agnico Eagle has agreed to the recommendations and/or provided clarifications to the recommendations made by interveners, and on a few items where Agnico Eagle has disagreed, it has provided its detailed rationale for the NWB's consideration. As noted in our responses, Agnico Eagle will



continue to work with interveners and NWB to ensure a common understanding of the operations, monitoring, management and mitigation plans at Whale Tail Pit.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please contact the undersigned Jamie Quesnel at Jamie.quesnel@agnicoeagle.com

Regards,

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