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Your file - Votre référence  
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**Re: Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) reply to AEM's response on the Operational Acid Rock Drainage-Metal Leachate (ARD-ML) Sampling and Testing Plan – Whale Tail Pit Project under Agnico Eagle Mines Limited's (AEM) Type "A" Water Licence No. 2AM-WTP1826.**

Dear Mr. Dwyer,

Thank you for the email notice, received on November 9, 2018, regarding the above noted response from AEM.

CIRNAC reviewed the response and the revised plan pursuant to its mandated responsibilities from the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act* and the *Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development Act*.

CIRNAC is satisfied with AEM's responses to CIRNAC comment numbers 1-10, 12-18 and 20 and finds these concerns resolved and addressed. However, CIRNAC maintains its position with respect to comment and recommendation numbers 11 and 19. These recommendations were made for AEM to enhance the certainty of AEM's statements that there will be "zero contamination" in, the cover of the waste rock storage facility.

CIRNAC is willing to work with AEM address the unresolved recommendations to achieve the objectives of the plan.

If you have any questions or require any further information with respect to this matter, please contact me at (867) 975-4555 or email [david.zhong@canada.ca](mailto:david.zhong@canada.ca), or Ian Parsons at (867) 222-9278 or email [ian.parsons@canada.ca](mailto:ian.parsons@canada.ca).

Regards,

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