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Whale Tail Pit A47-N Sump Design Report for water licence 2AM-WTP1830

Onita, John <john.onita@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca> Wed, Jul 6, 2022 at 6:28 AM To: Richard Dwyer <richard.dwyer@nwb-oen.ca>, Luis Manzo <dirlands@kivalliqinuit.ca>, Luis Manzo Imanzo@kivalliqinuit.ca>, "Ashley Aupaluktuq-Burton (aburton@kivalliqinuit.ca)" aburton@kivalliqinuit.ca, "Keim, Andrew (AADNC/AANDC)" andrew.keim@canada.ca, "Dewar, Spencer" <spencer.dewar@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca> Cc: Assol Kubeisinova assol.kubeisinova@nwb-oen.ca</spencer.dewar@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca></dirlands@kivalliqinuit.ca></richard.dwyer@nwb-oen.ca></john.onita@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca>
Good morning Richard,
Thank you for the opportunity to participate in the review process.
CIRNAC has reviewed the responses provided by Agnico Eagle Mines (AEM) addressing CIRNAC's initial recommendations for the Whale Tail Pit A47-N Sump Design Report for Water Licence 2AM-WTP1830.
CIRNAC is satisfied with AEM's responses as detailed below in this email.
Recommendations 1 and 2 are resolved.
Sincerely,
John Onita
Recommendation #1: CIRNAC recommends that AEM provide a water quality monitoring description for; (a) water in sump during and after construction; (b) water in IVR-attenuation pond. CIRNAC also recommends that AEM report this information in future Annual Reports.

Agnico Eagle's Response:

The purpose of the A47-N sump is to intercept runoff water from the watershed before it reaches the IVR Pit to minimize the amount of water to be managed within the IVR Pit and ease mining operations. Without this sump the water reporting in that area would flow through the ring road and be managed within the IVR Pit and pumped to the IVR attenuation Pond as per the approved water management plan and water quality monitoring strategy.

The water expected to be captured in sump A-47-N is from the surrounding watershed. At no point during construction will any surface runoff directly or in-directly enter a Water body. During operation or construction, water reporting to this sump will be managed within the approved area for contact water management on site (either overflowing to IVR Pit by gravity or to the IVR Attenuation Pond by pumping). The water quality monitoring strategy for the IVR Attenuation Pond is already included in the water license 2AM-WTP1830 under the station ST-WT-23, as well as IVR pit sump under the station ST-WT-18. The monitoring of both of these stations eliminates the need to have an established monitoring station in the A47-N sump.

Recommendation #2: CIRNAC recommends that AEM conduct a Geochemical analysis of the expected rubble from the sump excavation work to show the Acid Rock Drainage and Metal Leaching characteristics of the rubble and report this information in future Annual Reports.

Agnico Eagle's Response:

The excavation material from the A47-N sump will be classified geochemically to determine the acid rock drainage and metal leaching characteristics of the material as per the approved Whale Tail Pit ARD-ML Sampling Plan under the 2AM-WTP1830 Water Licence.

From: Richard Dwyer <richard.dwyer@nwb-oen.ca> Sent: Tuesday, July 5, 2022 11:34 AM To: Luis Manzo <dirlands@kivalliqinuit.ca>; Luis Manzo <lmanzo@kivalliqinuit.ca>; Ashley Aupaluktuq-Burton (aburton@kivalliqinuit.ca) <aburton@kivalliqinuit.ca>; Onita, John <john.onita@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca>; Keim, Andrew (AADNC/AANDC) <andrew.keim@canada.ca> Cc: Assol Kubeisinova <assol.kubeisinova@nwb-oen.ca> Subject: Re: Whale Tail Pit A47-N Sump Design Report for water licence 2AM-WTP1830</assol.kubeisinova@nwb-oen.ca></andrew.keim@canada.ca></john.onita@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca></aburton@kivalliqinuit.ca></lmanzo@kivalliqinuit.ca></dirlands@kivalliqinuit.ca></richard.dwyer@nwb-oen.ca>
Good morning,
The Nunavut Water Board requests confirmation by July 12, 2022 whether or not parties comments are addressed by the attached AEM response.
Regards,
Richard

On Mon, Jun 6, 2022 at 10:45 AM Richard Dwyer <richard.dwyer@nwb-oen.ca> wrote:

Good morning,

The Nunavut Water Board acknowledges receipt May 24, 2022 of A47-N Sump Design Report, attached. It can also be found at the link below:

ftp://ftp.nwb-oen.ca/registry/2%20MINING%20MILLING/2A/2AM%20-%20Mining/2AM-WTP1830% 20Agnico/3%20TECH/D%20CONSTRUCTION/D1%2C%20D2/A47-N%20Sump

Interested parties are invited to submit comments by June 16, 2022. The Nunavut Water board is aware that a number of web browsers are no longer supporting File Transfer Protocol (ftp). If you are having difficulty accessing our FTP site you may need to download an FTP application. We have been recommending the FileZilla Client below to access the files, which is a free and open source application. A link can be found below: https://filezilla-project.org/ Regards, Richard