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Subject: Design Report for Culverts (roads 8, 9, 11 and 22); Type “A” Water Licence 2AM-WTP1826, Whale Tail Pit Project; Agnico Eagle Mines Limited

Dear Ms. Manon and Mr. Quesnel:

The Nunavut Water Board (“NWB”) received from Agnico Eagle Mines Limited (Agnico Eagle or Licensee) on July 13, 2018, the document entitled: “Whale Tail Pit Project Design Report for Culverts (roads 8, 9, 11 and 22) (Report) as a requirement of Part D, Item 1 of Water Licence 2AM-WTP1826 (Licence) that was approved by the Minister of Crown-Indigenous Relations Canada on July 11, 2018. The Report was prepared by SNC-Lavalin Stavibel Inc. and dated June 27, 2018.

As indicated by Agnico Eagle the overall objective of the water management strategy of Whale Tail Pit Project is to develop a practical and feasible site-wide water management plan to minimize the potential negative impacts of mining development on the surrounding environment including habitats for fish and wildlife, and to facilitate mine operation and long-term closure and reclamation of the mine site. To attain this objective, culverts are used to control and divert runoff underneath the road and new facilities. All culverts (#8, 9, 11 & 22) are required at the lower point of their watershed to allow runoff flow by gravity under the haul road. *The proposed culverts will be in service for up to 15 years. All proposed culverts are Aluminized Corrugated Steel Pipe (ACSP) TYPE 2, with a profile of 68 x 13mm (helical) and a minimum size of 600mm.*

On July 13, 2018, the Report was distributed for interested parties’ review with a deadline for submissions set at August 3, 2018. On August 3, 2018, comments were submitted by Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC). On August 15, 2018, Agnico Eagle provided responses to comments. On September 4, 2018, CIRNAC informed the NWB that they are satisfied with Agnico Eagle responses.

The Board is satisfied that the Report addresses the requirements of Part D, Item 2 of Licence 2AM-WTP1826, and has accepted the Design Report for Culverts (roads 8, 9, 11 and 22), as required by Part D, Item 1 of Licence. The Licensee is advised that the Board's "acceptance" of

this document is a verification that the proposed activity is consistent with the existing terms and conditions of the Licence and more specifically with the Part D, Item 2, and may proceed in accordance with the Report and drawings provided. It should be noted that the Board's "acceptance" is NOT intended or offered as any representation regarding the suitability of the plans nor third party verification of the design, construction, planning or engineering discussed in the document.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned at (867) 360-6338 or karen.kharatyan@nwb-oen.ca at your earliest convenience.

Regards,

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