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Subject: Design Report for Fuel Storage Tank and Containment Facilities; Type "A"

Water Licence 2AM-WTP1826, Whale Tail Pit Project; Agnico Eagle Mines

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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 Infrastructure Engineering Project Fuel Storage Tank and Containment Facilities Design Report and Drawings" (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 July 3, 2018.

The Report includes an overview of the Codes and Regulations that apply, the design criteria and construction details as well as site-specific considerations for the following facilities:

- One (1) fuel farm containing one (1) field-erected fuel storage tank (1.5 ML) complete with a pumping station and ancillaries; and
- Secondary containment for the fuel farm.

The 1.5 ML fuel storage tank will be installed at Whale Tail fuel farm. The Whale Tail fuel farm will be refuelled by fuel truck deliveries from a Baker Lake fuel farm deposit. A system of service pipes allows the fuel truck to be connected to the tank. An automatic valve is activated for refuelling. The tank is connected to a pumping station located outside the Berms. All surfaces on which the fuel tank and maneuvering areas of the machinery are located are protected from accidental spills by a watertight membrane (geomembrane) that directs the flow to a low point of recovery. The tank will be inside the berms of secondary containment.

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 13, 2018, Agnico Eagle provided responses to comments. On September 6, 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 Fuel Storage Tank and Containment Facilities, 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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