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Mr. Lootie Toomasie Chair Nunavut Water Board PO Box 119 GJOA HAVEN NU X0B 1J0

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Dear Mr. Toomasie:

Thank you for the Nunavut Water Board's correspondence of March 27, 2020, as received by the Department on March 30, 2020, conveying the Board's reasons for decision and recommendation that I approve amendments to Agnico Eagle Mines Limited's existing type A water licences, Whale Tail and Meadowbank.

I understand the amendment to the existing type B water licence No. 2BB-MEA1828 (the Advanced Exploration Licence), associated with the Whale Tail and Meadowbank sites, does not require my direct approval but that within 30 days following my approval of the above-noted two type A water licence amendments, the Nunavut Water Board will issue an amended type B water licence to reflect the inclusion of the scope of that licence into the amended type A water licence No. 2AM-WTP1830.

In accordance with subsection 56(2) of the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act*, I am pleased to inform you that I have approved the amendments to the type A water licences 2AM-WTP1830 and 2AM-MEA1530, as recommended by the Nunavut Water Board. The signed original is enclosed.

Sincerely,

Hon. Daniel Vandal, P.C., M.P.

Encl.

c.c.: Ms. Stephanie Autut

Mr. Richard Dwyer

