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File: 2BE-MEA0813 Amendment No. 2

September 28, 2011

Mr. David Frenette Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited C.P. 87 765 ch. de la Mine Goldex Val d'Or, Quebec J9P 4N9

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Subject: Application for Amendment No. 2 to Water Licence 2BE-MEA0813 – Distribution

of Additional Information

Dear Mr. Frenette,

The Nunavut Water Board (NWB or Board) distributed the above-cited amendment request to interested parties on June 7, 2011. Following the review period, the NWB was in receipt of comments from Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) and Environment Canada (EC). On August 10, 2011, the NWB provided the Licensee (Agnico–Eagle Mines Limited or AEM) with an opportunity to respond to the comments received and noted a conflict between AEM's water licence amendment application and the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) screening decision dated April 21, 2011 (NIRB File 11EN010).

In follow-up to the NWB's August 10, 2011 request, the NWB is in receipt of the following additional information:

- Letter from AEM to AANDC providing mitigation measures that will be implemented prior to, during, and following drilling activities within thirty (30) metres of the ordinary high water mark of a waterbody¹;
- Letter from NIRB to NWB confirming that the file does not require further screening²; and

¹ Letter from D. Frenette, AEM, Exploration Division, to T. McCaie, AANDC, Subject: Amendment No. 2 to Water Licence 2BE-MEA0813 – Response to Reviewer Comments, dated August 31, 2011.

² Letter from A. Hanson, NIRB, to D. Hohnstein, NWB, Re: Application exempt from Screening pursuant to NLCA Schedule 12-1: Amendment Request for Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd.'s Water Licence with the Nunavut Water Board for their "Pipe Dream Winter Road and Mining Exploration" project, dated August 15, 2011.



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• Letter from AANDC to NWB noting a conflict between the amendment request to drill within thirty (30) meters of the ordinary high water mark of a waterbody and the June 10, 2011 AANDC Land Use Permit, #N2011C0010³.

All correspondence and documentation related to the file is available for download from the NWB's ftp site using the username "public" and password "registry" (without the quotes) at the following link:

ftp://nunavutwaterboard.org/1%20PRUC/2%20MINING%20MILLING/2B/2BE%20-%20Exploration/2BE-MEA0813%20Agnico/

By copy of this letter, the NWB is requesting a further review by interested parties of the above-noted additional information, with a request to please submit any representations to the NWB's Manager of Licensing at <u>licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org</u> by 5:00 p.m. on <u>October 9, 2011</u>. If you have any further questions please contact the undersigned at email <u>dts@nunavutwaterboard.org</u> or Ph. (780) 443-4406 or the Manager of Licensing directly at (867) 360-6338.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

David Hohnstein Director of Technical Services DH/kt/

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³ Letter from D. Abernethy, AANDC, to P. Beaulieu, NWB, Re: Amendment No. 2 to Water Licence 2BE-MEA0813, Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd., dated August 30, 2011.



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