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Sent via email: licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org

Re: <u>Application exempt from Screening pursuant to NLCA Schedule 12-1: Agnico-Eagle</u> Mines Ltd.'s "IVR Exploration" project proposal

Dear Phyllis Beaulieu:

On January 21, 2013 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received an application from the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) for an amendment to the Type B Water Licence (No. 2BE-MEA0813) associated with Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd.'s (AEM) "Meadowbank Exploration Camp" and "Pipe Dream Winter Road and Mining Exploration" project proposals. The amendment is to include the two exploration areas to the Water Licence; IVR Exploration and south Meadowbank area. The NIRB has determined that the amendment to the Type B Water Licence is exempt from screening pursuant to item 5 of Schedule 12-1 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA), *Types of Project Proposals Exempt from Screening*:

NLCA Schedule 12-1 (5):

"Water uses that do not require a public hearing under Section 13.7.3"

As this project proposal is exempt from the requirement for Screening by the NIRB, authorizations associated with this proposal may be processed by your office.

Please be advised that this application is associated with a project proposal which has been previously screened by the NIRB (File No. 11EN010), and the NIRB's Screening Decision Report may contain recommendations which are relevant to your organization, and to the

issuance of any further authorizations associated with the project. A copy of the original April 21, 2011 Screening Decision Report has been enclosed for your review and can be accessed online from the NIRB's public registry using the following link:

http://ftp.nirb.ca/01-SCREENINGS/COMPLETED%20SCREENINGS/2011/11EN010-AEM-Pipedream%20%26%20IVR%20Exploration/03-DECISION/

If you have any questions or require additional clarification, please contact the undersigned directly at sgranchinho@nirb.ca or (867) 793-4633.

Sincerely,

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Nunavut Impact Review Board

cc: David Frenette, Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd.

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Tracey McCaie, Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada

Karén Kharatyan, Nunavut Water Board

Enclosed: NIRB Screening Decision Report, File No.: 11EN010 (April 21, 2011)