



NIRB File No.: EX 211

Associated NIRB File Nos.: 11EN010; 03MN107

NWB File No.: 2BE-MEA1318

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Sent via email: phyllis.beaulieu@nwb-oen.ca

Re: Application exempt from Screening pursuant to NLCA Schedule 12-1: Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.'s "IVR Exploration Camp" Project Proposal

Dear Phyllis Beaulieu:

On June 6, 2014 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) received an application from the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) for Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.'s (AEM) "IVR Exploration Camp" project proposal (NIRB File No.: 11EN010). AEM's application involved a request to amend the Type "B" Water Licence (NWB File No.: 2BE-MEA1318) issued for its "Meadowbank Gold Project" (NIRB File No.: 03MN107) in order to install a camp in support of exploration activities on the IVR property (NIRB File No.: 11EN010). The Board notes that the current application and related NWB licence are associated with the "Meadowbank Gold Project" which has previously been reviewed by the NIRB (NIRB File No.: 03MN107). On June 27, 2014 the NIRB received correspondence from the Nunavut Planning Commission confirming that the previous positive conformity (Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan), sent to the NIRB on May 26, 2008, still applied. The NIRB has determined that the amendment to the Type B Water Licence (No.: 2BE-MEA1318) 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".

While this application for works is exempt from the requirement for Screening and further assessment by the NIRB and authorizations associated with this proposal may be processed by your office, the NIRB notes that the Screening Decision Report issued for the IVR Exploration program (NIRB File No.: 11EN010) and the Project Certificate [No. 004] issued for the Meadowbank Gold Project (NIRB File No.: 03MN107) may contain recommendations which are

relevant to the Nunavut Water Board, and to the issuance of any further authorizations associated with the project. A copy of the original Screening Decision Report for NIRB File No. 11EN010 (April 21, 2011) has been enclosed for your review, and the NIRB Project Certificate issued for the Meadowbank Gold Project may be accessed online from the NIRB's public registry using the following link:

<http://ftp.nirb.ca/03-MONITORING/03MN107-MEADOWBANK%20GOLD%20MINE/01-PROJECT%20CERTIFICATE/>.

Furthermore, the NIRB notes that additional follow-up monitoring of the works proposed within the current application may be required pursuant to the NIRB's ongoing monitoring program for the Meadowbank Gold Project.

If you have any questions or require additional clarification, please contact the undersigned directly at hramussen@nirb.ca or (867) 983-4606.

Sincerely,



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Nunavut Impact Review Board

cc: David Frenette, Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.
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Enclosed: Screening Decision Report, File No.: 11EN010 (April 21, 2011)