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Your reference 2BE-MEA0813

Re: Type 'B' Water Licence No. 2BE-MEA0813, 2011 Amendment

**Application – Meadowbank Exploration Project – Agnico-Eagle Mines** 

Ltd. – Kivalliq Region

Dear Richard,

Thank you for your June 7, 2011 request for written representations on the above referenced water licence amendment application.

A Technical Review Memorandum is provided for the Board's consideration.

Please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone at 867 975-4555 or email at David.Abernethy@inac-ainc.gc.ca to discuss this submission.

Regards,

David W. Abernethy Water Resources Regional Coordinator **Operations Directorate** Nunavut Regional Office Igaluit, Nunavut XOA 0H0

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## **Technical Review Memo**

TO Richard Dwyer OUR REFERENCE

Licensing Administrator File #9545-2-2.2BE.MEAA

Nunavut Water Board IQALUIT-#470704

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FROM David Abernethy 2BE-MEA0713

Water Resources Regional Coordinator

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Northern Development Canada July 7, 2011

### SUBJECT Type 'B' Water Licence No. 2BE-MEA0813, 2011 Amendment Application

- Meadowbank Exploration Project - Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd. - Kivalliq

Region

### A. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

On June 7, 2011 the Nunavut Water Board (the Board) provided notification of an application made by Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd. to amend their Type B exploration water licence to permit drilling operations within thirty (30) metres of the high water mark of any water body. The submitted amendment application states that all drill waste will be disposed at a distance of at least thirty (30) metres from the ordinary high mark of applicable water bodies.

#### **B. RESULTS OF REVIEW**

On behalf of the Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) Water Resources Division, Nunavut Regional Office, I am providing the following comments/ recommendations for the Board's consideration:

 Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd. should notify the Board of any additional mitigation measures that may be implemented prior to, during, and following drilling operations to protect nearby water bodies.

Prepared by David Abernethy

c.c.: T. Trenholm, A/Manager of Water Resources

K. Robertson, A/Manager of Field Operations