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*Our reference:*  
IQALUIT-#606738

*Your reference:*  
2BE-MEA0813

*Sent via email*

**Re: Meadowbank Exploration Project – Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd. – Type B Water  
Licence Renewal Application – Kivalliq Region**

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Dear Ms. Beaulieu,

Thank you for your October 11, 2012 request for written representations on the above-referenced water licence renewal application.

A Technical Review Memorandum is provided for the Board's consideration. Comments/ recommendations have been provided pursuant to the Department's mandated responsibilities under the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act* and the *Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development Act*.

Please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone at 867-975-4555 or email at [David.Abernethy@aandc-aadnc.gc.ca](mailto:David.Abernethy@aandc-aadnc.gc.ca) to discuss this submission.

Regards,

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c.c.: Murray Ball, Manager of Water Resources

## TECHNICAL REVIEW MEMORANDUM

<b>TO</b>	Phyllis Beaulieu Manager of Licensing Nunavut Water Board	OUR REFERENCE File #9545-2-2.2BE.MEAA IQALUIT-#606738
<b>FROM</b>	David Abernethy Water Resources Regional Coordinator Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada	YOUR REFERENCE 2BE-MEA0813  DATE November 13, 2012
<b>SUBJECT</b>	Meadowbank Exploration Project – Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd. – Type B Water Licence Renewal Application – Kivalliq Region	

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### A. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

On October 11, 2012 the Nunavut Water Board (Board) distributed Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd.'s (AEML) application to renew their Meadowbank Exploration Project's Type B water licence. Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd. are requesting a five year licence renewal beginning in February 2013. No changes to licence terms and conditions have been proposed. A licence renewal is required to allow continued exploration work in the project area which consists of prospecting, trenching, drilling, and geophysical activities.

### B. RESULTS OF REVIEW

On behalf of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC), the following comments/ recommendations are submitted for the Board's consideration,

1. General
  - AANDC have no issues with the renewal of AEML's water licence.
2. Trenching activities
  - The submitted application makes reference to trenching activities within the project area. The licence requirement for AEML to submit a trenching plan at least 60 days prior to beginning any trenching operations should continue to apply (Part F, Item 9 of the current licence). According to submitted annual reports, no trenching activities have occurred on site to date.

Prepared by David Abernethy