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Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.  
c/o Larry Connell  
Corporate Director Regulatory Affairs  
145 King Street East, Suite 400  
Toronto, Canada  
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**Re: Request for Comments on the NIRB's Draft Scope List for Agnico Eagle Mine's "Whale Tail" Project Proposal**

Dear Larry Connell,

Transport Canada received the Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd. (AEM) letter dated September 9, 2016, requesting information from Transport Canada as to any requirements for the use of hovercraft vehicles in and around the Meadow bank Mine site property.

Transport Canada requires all small commercial marine vessels between 15 and 150 gross tonnage to be inspected and certified by Transport Canada. Any smaller vessel that carries more than 12 passengers must also be inspected and certified. After an initial inspection, regular inspections are required. The frequency depends upon the vessel's commercial use.

Transport Canada requires all commercial vessels to be registered. There are two options, the Canadian Register of Vessels and the Small Vessel Register.

Transport Canada recommends that AEM contact the Marine Safety and Security Services for more information regarding these requirements. Any questions regarding the Marine Safety and Security Services requirements should be directed to the Marine Safety Transport Canada Centre:

Edmonton Office: Canada Place  
Prairie and Northern Region  
1100, 9700 Jasper Avenue  
Edmonton, Alberta T5J 4E6  
1-888-463-0521

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Should you have any questions, please contact me via email at [christopher.aguirre@tc.gc.ca](mailto:christopher.aguirre@tc.gc.ca) or by telephone at (204) 984-2615.

Regards,

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