



28 February 2014

Luis Manzo
Director of Lands
Kivalliq Inuit Association
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**Re: Commercial Lease KVCL102J168 - To establish a Landfarm at the Meliadine
Advanced Exploration Project: Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited (AEM)**

Dear Mr. Manzo;

On July 8th, 2013, an inspection report was received from the Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development inspector. At the time of the inspection, Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited (AEM) was using the old fuel bladder containment area to store and remediate soils contaminated with petroleum hydrocarbons. The inspection report said in part:

Contaminated Soils

- *As discussed in the June 5 and 6 inspection, contaminated soils are being secured in the old fuel bladder farm containment berm.*
- *The Proponent will submit to the NWB a Plan/Amendment with regards to contaminated soils remediation before March 1st, 2014.*

To fulfil these requirements, AEM is submitting an amendment application to the Nunavut Water Board to establish a landfarm in the old fuel bladder containment area¹ and a management plan for the same.

AEM feels that the use of the old fuel bladder containment area as a landfarm is an environmentally proactive step in utilizing an existing, unused facility to store and remediate petroleum hydrocarbon contaminated soil and is requesting KIA's approval to proceed in establishing the landfarm.

¹ The containment area has berms on all sides and an impermeable liner. It is no longer used to hold fuel bladders as AEM opted to use double walled envirotanks for the fuel storage instead.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate in getting in touch with me at 819 763 0229 or stephane.robert@agnicoeagle.com .

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stéphane Robert', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Stephane Robert
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Cc. Veronica Tattuinee – KIA
Nunavut Water Board
John Witteman, David Frenette – AEM
Nunavut Impact Review Board