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RE: 2BB-MEL0914 Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited – Meliadine Project – Amendment 5 Type "B"

EC file: 4703 001 062 NWB file: 2BB-MEL0914

Environment Canada (EC) has reviewed the above-mentioned amendment application as submitted to the Nunavut Water Board (NWB). The following specialist advice has been provided pursuant to the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act* 1999, Section 36(3) of the *Fisheries Act*, the *Migratory Birds Convention Act*, and the *Species at Risk Act*.

Agnico Eagle Mines is applying for an amendment to Type B water license 2BB-MEL0914 from the NWB. The requested amendment is to allow the redistribution of water use currently permitted between camp use and drilling use at the Meliadine site from  $25~\text{m}^3/\text{day}$  and  $265~\text{m}^3/\text{day}$  to  $45~\text{m}^3/\text{day}$  and  $245~\text{m}^3/\text{day}$ , respectively. The amendment does not change the total daily allowance which would remain at  $290~\text{m}^3/\text{day}$ .

Based on the information provided, EC does not have any comments at this time regarding this amendment so long as the proponent is in compliance with the conditions of the existing water license. Comments previously submitted on behalf of EC regarding water license 2BB-MEL0914 would still apply. If there are any changes to the proposed project, EC should be notified, as further review may be necessary. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or comments with regards to the foregoing at (867) 975-4639 or by email at <a href="mailto:Allison.Dunn@ec.gc.ca">Allison.Dunn@ec.gc.ca</a>.

Best.

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