

WATER LICENCE INSPECTION FORM

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Licensee			Licensee Representative		
Agnico Eagle Mines Limited			Brett Fairbairn		
Licence No. / Expiry			Representative's Title		
2BB-MEL1424/ July 21 st , 2024		Environment Coordinator			
Date of Inspection			Inspector		
May 13 th , 2022		WRO Wilson			
Activities Inspected					
☐ Camp☐ Roads/Hauling	☑ Drilling ☑ Other: Spill	Mining	☐ Construction☐ Other:	Reclamation	□ Fuel Storage

SECTION 1 **Comments** Non-Compliance with Act or Licence **Action Required**

On May 13th, an inspection of Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.'s Meliadine Gold Project's Exploration Division was completed by Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affair Canada (CIRNAC)'s, Water Resources Officer, Christine Wilson (Inspector) and Kyle Amsel. The May 13th inspection was conducted as a follow up to the April 19th inspection (report no. 2022-KIV02-CW) to ensure compliance with applicable terms and conditions of water licence no. 2BB-MEL1424.

The following report was produced with the observations noted by the Inspector at the lake referred to as A8 as well as information provided by Agnico Eagle Mine Ltd. (AEM) Environment Coordinator, Brett Fairbairn and Hydrology Specialist, Kevin Smith.

Preliminary information

- On April 19th an inspection was conducted of a number of spills on the surface of Lake A8. The report found to two failures to comply and noted concerning observations related to spills on the surface of the ice.
- On April 19th the Inspector was advised that drilling would be completed the following week. It was determined that a follow up inspection would be conducted to confirm the clean up was satisfactory to the Inspector.

Observations

- 1. All drills and ancillary have been removed from the surface of Lake A8.
- The overland trail from All Weather Access Road KM27 to Lake A8 is snow free. Water has begun to accumulate around the edges of the Lake (photo 1).
- 3. The overland trail down to the Lake is rutted and eroded causing surface water to be carried down to the edge of the Lake.
- 4. On the ice surface of Lake A8 there are piles of grey material. The piles extends over 600m from the south east side of the lake, North west (photo 1).
- 5. Within the piles of snow are pools of water on the surface of the ice that are filled with unknown grey, black, yellow and white materials (photo 2-12 and 17).
- 6. In multiple locations the smell of hydrocarbons is present (photo 13-16).
- 7. Oily rags are found in a number of locations on the surface of the ice (photo 13, 17-19).
- 8. Garbage and wood debris is noted in a number of location on the surface of the ice (photo 7, 9, 11, 12, 19 and 18).
- 9. A drill rod is left sticking out through the surface of the Lake ice at N63° 00′ 40.71″, W92° 12′ 33.42″ (photo 20).
- 10. A drill collar is left sticking out the ground at N63° 00′ 20.45″, W92° 11′ 57.76″(photo 21).

SECTION 2-	Comments	Non-Compliance with Act or Licence	Action Required	
Non-compliance rel	ated to the conditions o	of water licence no. 2BB-MFI 1424:		

PART C, item 7: Failure to prevent erosion on the banks of Lake A8.

PART C, item 8: Failure to implement sediment and erosion control measures to prevent sediment from entering a water way.

PART E, item 20: Failure to suspend overland travel when rutting occurs.

PART F, item 2: Failure to dispose of drill waste, including water, chips, muds and salts in any quantity from on-ice drilling in a fashion acceptable to the Inspector.

PART F, item 4: Concern related to containing drilling additives in a way acceptable to the Inspector.

PART F, item 2: Concern related to the prevention of chemicals, petroleum products or waste associated with the project from entering water.

PART I, item 10: Failure to restore drill holes to natural condition immediately upon completion of program.

SECTION 2-Comments Non-Compliance with Act or Licence

Actions Required

- AEM shall ensure all equipment is clean, well maintained, and free from leaking fluids prior to use on-ice. AEM will summarizer the actions taken to ensure this process is completed in the advance of any on-ice drilling in 2022 Annual
- AEM will prepare and submit a plan to the Nunavut Water Board and the Inspector that details how the failures to comply will be mitigated and resolved prior to the next on-ice drilling campaign. This plan will include, but not be limited to information about rutting and erosion, drill site reclamation, rig wash, conditions of an acceptable location to deposit cuttings, drill inspection forms, spills and clean-ups, and other relevant water licence conditions.
- AEM will immediately taken corrective actions to resolve the failures to comply as noted in this report. A summary of actions taken will be provided to the Inspector by May 17th, 2022.



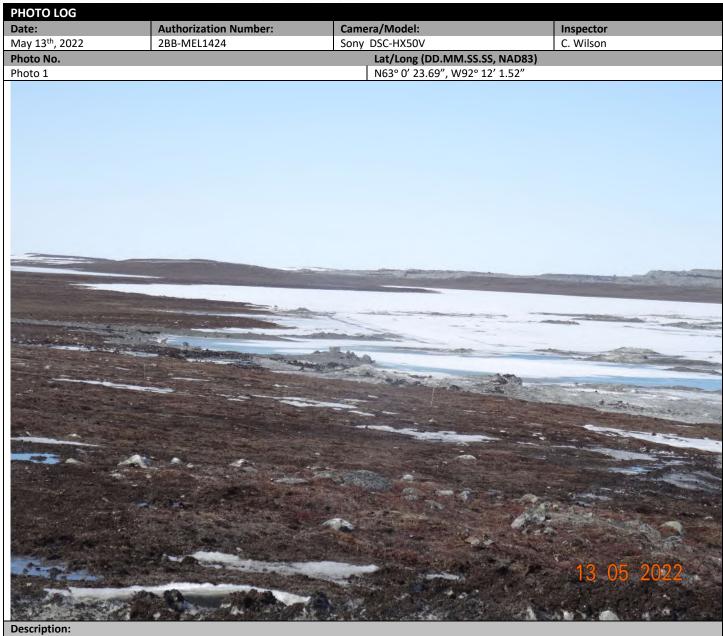
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May 18th the Inspector will be returning to the Meliadine Gold Project to conducting a follow up inspection of the A8 Lake and collect samples.

Inspector's Name	Representatives Name
Christine Wilson	Brett Fairbairn
Signature	Signature
Christie Wilson	
Date	Date
May 16th th , 2022	



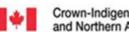
Trail going into Lake A8 and piles of grey snow on the surface of the lake.















Description:

Brown and grey materials on the surface of the ice of A8 Lake.















Garbage on the surface of A8 Lake.









Grey material and garbage on the surface of the ice.









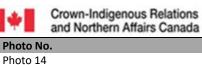


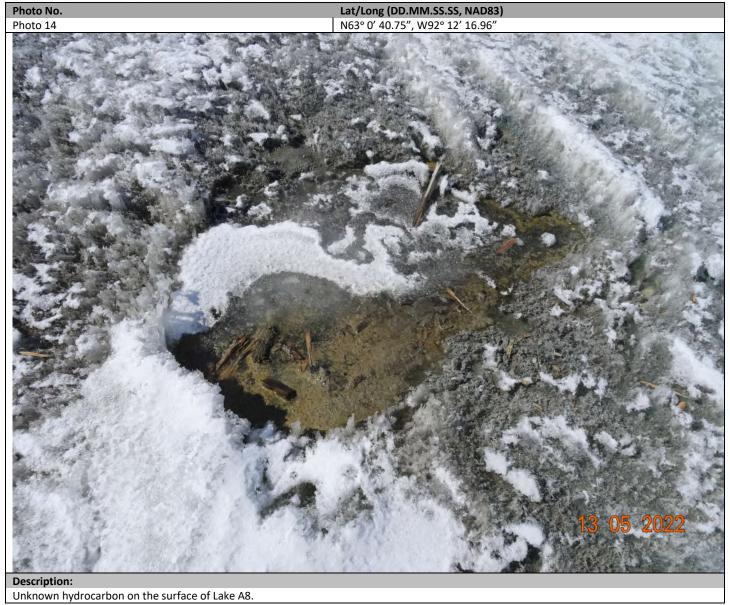
Description:

Grey material and garbage on the ice surface of Lake A8.

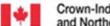


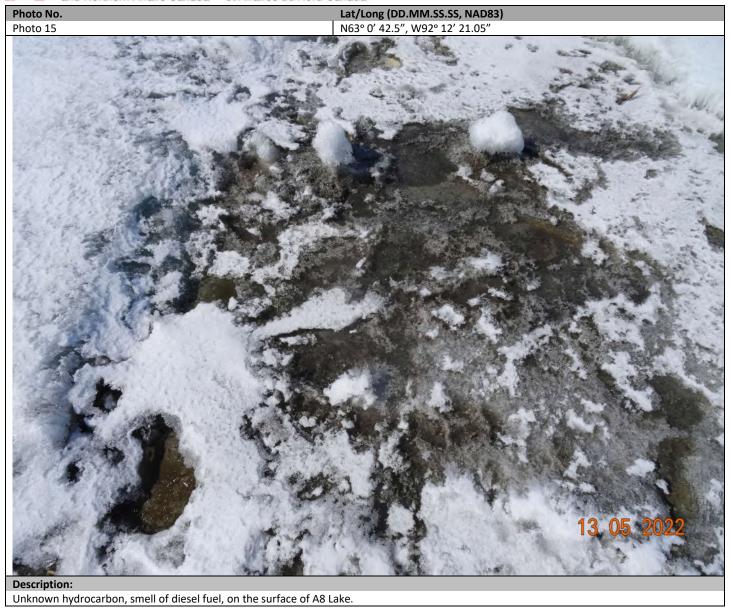






















Drill site clean up on the surface of A8 Lake.











Location of a drill rod and casing exposed through the surface of the ice A8 Lake.

