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August 20, 2021

Richard Dwyer Manager of Licensing **Nunavut Water Board** P.O. Box 119 Gjoa Haven, NU, X0B 1J0 E-mail: licensing@nwb-oen.ca

Re: Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada's Review of the Licence Renewal Application for Greyhound Project, Type B Water Licence No. 2BE-GRE1621

Dear Richard,

Thank you for the August 3, 2021 invitation to review the licence renewal application, submitted by Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd. for Type B Water Licence No. 2BE-GRE1621.

Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) examined the application pursuant to its mandated responsibilities under the Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act and the Department of Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Act. Please find CIRNAC comments and recommendations in the attached Technical Memorandum.

If there are any questions or concerns, please contact me at (867) 975-4568 or Lisa.Bachellier@canada.ca Andrew or Keim at (867)975-4550 Andrew.Keim@canada.ca.

Sincerely,

Lisa Bachellier.

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Water Resource Technician



# **Technical Review Memorandum**

**Date:** August 20, 2021

**To:** Richard Dwyer – Manager of Licencing, Nunavut Water Board

From: Lisa Bachellier – Water Resource Technician, CIRNAC

Subject: Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada's Review of the Licence Renewal Application for Greyhound Project, Type B Water Licence No. 2BE-GRE1621

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#### A. BACKGROUND

The Greyhound Property is located approximately 50 km northwest of Baker Lake and operations for drilling at the site are staged at the nearby Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.'s Meadowbank Mine site.

Water use and Waste disposal activities for a drilling exploration program at Aura Silver Resources Inc.'s Greyhound Property were regulated under the current Type 'B' Water Licence, 2BE-GRE1416. Operations at the site have been conducted under an option agreement with Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.. Agnico now runs the program and has been assigned the license.

On October 6, 2016 the Nunavut Water Board approved a renewal License for Aura Silver Resources Ltd, 2BE- GRE1621.

Angico Eagle Mines Ltd. is requesting a 10 year licence.

**Table 1: Summary of Recommendations** 

Recommendation Number	Subject
(R-01)	Application for water licence renewal
(R-02)	Quantity of water involved on the water licence application
(R-03)	15. Quantity and quality of waste involved on the water licence application.
(R-04)	Required documents



#### **B. DOCUMENTS REVIEWED AND REFERENCED**

The following table (Table 2) provides a list of the documents reviewed under the submission and reference during the review.

**Table 2: Documents Reviewed and Referenced** 

Document Title	Author, File No., Rev., Date
<ul> <li>Articles of Amalgamation 01 01 2020</li> </ul>	Ministry of Government and Consumer Services, January 1 2020
Certificate of Status - June 1, 2021	Province of Ontario , June 1 2021
Non-technical summary English	Angico Eagle
Non-technical summary Inuktitut	Angico Eagle
<ul> <li>NPC File # 149533- AEM Water Licence Renewal</li> </ul>	Nunavut Planning Commission, April 28 <sup>th</sup> 2021
Application Water Licence Renewal	Nunavut Water Board April 2013
100506-10EN022-Screening Decision Report-OT7E	Nunavut Impact Review Board , April 26 2010

#### C. RESULTS OF REVIEW

# 1. Application for Water Licence Renewal

# **Comment:**

# 1 through 5 on the renewal application is left blank with not information filled out.

# **Recommendation:**

(R-01) CIRNAC recommends the licensee fill out information on the application it has been left blank.

# 2. Quantity of water involved on the water licence application

### Comment:

No amount of water quantity is filled in on the renewal application form this field is left blank and no location of where the water will be taken or used.

### **Recommendation:**

(R-02) CIRNAC recommends the licensee provide information related to question #13 of the application for renewal on ocation of water source.

# 3. Quantity and quality of waste involved on the water licence application.

#### **Comment:**

No information filled out on #15 of the water licence renewal about quantity and quality of waste information on the water licence renewal form.

### **Recommendation:**

(R-03) CIRNAC recommends the licensee provide information related to question #15 on the quantity and quality of waste in the water license renewal application.

# 4. Required documents

# **Comment:**

Up-to-date Abandonment and Restoration, Spill Contingency, or Monitoring plans were not submitted with the renewal application.

#### Recommendation:

(R-04) CIRNAC recommends the licensee submit the required documents to the Nunavut Water Board for approval.