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File No.: **2BE-GRE1621**

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RE: NWB Technical Review of the Agnico Eagle Revised Spill Contingency Plan and Revised Abandonment and Restoration Plan for the Greyhound Project; Water Licence No. 2BE-GRE1621

Dear Mr. McNeice and Mr. Frenette:

The Nunavut Water Board (NWB or Board) has completed a technical review of the Spill Contingency Plan, dated February 2019, and Conceptual Closure and Reclamation Plan, dated February 2019 (the Plans), provided to the Board for approval on February 4, 2019 to fulfill the requirements of respective Part H, Item 1 and Part I, Item 1 of Water Licence No. 2BE-GRE1621. The updated Plans are to replace the original Spill Contingency and Abandonment and Restoration Plans dated May 2014.

The Plans were distributed for public review on February 4, 2019, and comments were received from Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs (CIRNA) on March 4, 2019. CIRNA recommended to update their contact information, provide missing appendices and keep only relevant to the Greyhound Property information in the Spill Contingency Plan and requested further details on drill site reclamation and clarification on whether the Fuel Cache and Chemicals Storage has been removed from site for the Abandonment and Restoration Plan.

On July 11, 2019, the Licensee provided the revised versions of the Plans to address CIRNA's comments. On September 16, 2019, CIRNA confirmed that the responses are satisfactory to address its concerns.

By copy of this letter, the Board acknowledges that the updated Spill Contingency Plan and Conceptual Closure and Reclamation Plan meet the reporting requirements of Water Licence No. 2BE-GRE1621. The NWB has, therefore, approved the Plans through the Board Motion No. 2019-B1-024, dated September 19, 2019. The Licensee is advised that the Plans could be implemented upon Board approval.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the undersigned at (867) 360-6338 (extension 29) or by e-mail sergey.kuflevskiy@nwb-oen.ca, at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'S. Kuflevskiy', is positioned above a horizontal line.

Sergey Kuflevskiy
Nunavut Water Board,
Technical Advisor

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