File No: 2BE-GRE1621

June 28, 2021

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RE: Assignment of Water Licence from Gold79 Mines Ltd. (Assignor) to Agnico Eagle Mines Limited (Assignee)

Dear Mr. Frenette and Mr. Macpherson:

On May 12, 2021 the Nunavut Water Board ("NWB" or "Board") received an application to assign Water Licence No: 2BE-GRE1621 from Gold79 Mines Ltd. to Agnico Eagle Mines Limited (Application) pursuant to Section 44 of the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act* ("Act").

Following receipt of the Application, the Board gave public notice of the Application for Assignment and invited interested persons to provide comments. On June 4, 2021, Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs (CIRNA) provided their comments, which were addressed by the applicant on June 17, 2021. In correspondence<sup>1</sup>, dated June 22, 2021, CIRNA indicated that the Applicant's responses addressed CIRNA's comments.

Pursuant to Section 44(1) of the *Act*, the Board is satisfied that the assignment of operation of the appurtenant undertaking by the prospective Assignee is unlikely to result in a contravention of any condition of the Licence or any provision of the *Act* or the Regulations. Therefore, in accordance with Section 44(2) of the *Act*, the Board, effective June 28, 2021 (Motion #2021-B1-006), hereby authorizes the assignment of Water Licence No: 2BE-GRE1621 from:

the Assignor, Gold79 Mines Ltd., to

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Andrew Keim (CIRNA) to Richard Dwyer (NWB); RE: Review of supplementary response to CIRAC's review of the application for Assignment of the Greyhound project, Type (B) Water Licence No. 2BE-GRE-1621, June 21, 2021.

## the Assignee, Agnico Eagle Mines Limited.

The Board also advises that all terms and conditions of this Licence remain in effect. Sections 85 to 94 of the *Act* provide the provisions for the enforcement of this Licence. The Minister of Northern Affairs (CIRNA) has the power to designate inspectors and/or analysts to identify or determine inspection and compliance related issues. The NWB recommends that Agnico Eagle Mines Limited contact the Inspector for CIRNA to obtain a copy of any enforcement documents related to this Licence.

Please contact the NWB at your convenience should you have any questions regarding this assignment.

Sincerely,

Lootie Toomasie Chairperson Nunavut Water Board

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