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Robert Hunter Licensing Administrator **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 Modification Request for the Addition of a Gravel Track for the Hope Bay Project, Type B Water Licence No. 2BE-HOP2232

Dear Robert,

Thank you for the September 6, 2024 invitation to review the referenced licence modification application, submitted by Agnico Eagle Mines Limited (Agnico), for Type B Water Licence No. 2BE-HOP2232.

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. CIRNAC would like to remind the Agnico to ensure that the new gravel track should not be creating pools of water, and that both new culverts and works associated with them do not degraded the banks of the watercourses and that these works be included in the next iteration of the reclamation plan.

CIRNAC would like Agnico to confirm how dust suppression would occur as well as the schedule for building the gravel road.

The applicant shall provide confirmation from the Nunavut Water Board that all outstanding water license fees have been paid in full prior to approval of this application.

If there are any questions or concerns, please contact me at (867) 975-3877 or (867) 975-4550 Joyce.Demers@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca Andrew or Keim at Andrew.Keim@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca.

Sincerely

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