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**Re: Technical Review of New Water Licence Application (No. 2BE-MPM----) –
Meadowbank Precious Metals – 5530 Nunavut Inc.**

To Whom It May Concern,

Thank you for the Nunavut Water Board's May 23, 2017 notice of the above mentioned water licence application.

A memorandum is provided for the Nunavut Water Board's consideration. Comments and recommendations have been provided pursuant to Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada's mandated responsibilities under the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act* and the *Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development Act*.

Please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone at 867-975-4282 or email at ian.parsons@aandc-aadnc.gc.ca for further information.

Sincerely,

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Memorandum

To: Licensing Department, Nunavut Water Board

Date: June 26, 2017

Re: Technical Review of Amendment Application No. 2BE-MPM---- for the Meadowbank Precious Metals Project

Applicant: 5530 Nunavut Inc.
Project: Meadowbank Precious Metals Project
Region: Kivalliq

Comments:

A. Background

5530 Nunavut Inc. (the Licensee) has applied for a Type 'B' Water Licence, 2BE-MPM---- for the Meadowbank Precious Metals Project. The project is comprised of three separate parcels of land straddling the Meadowbank All-Weather road as well as the proposed Amaruq road.

The proposed 2017 exploration activities for the Meadowbank Precious Metal Property include prospecting, till sampling and ground geophysical surveys. The 2017 proposed exploration program will be supported by a temporary, 6 to 10 person exploration camp. The program is anticipated to commence June 15th, 2017 and run for 6 weeks (42 days).

Personnel and cargo will be transported to the camp along the Agnico-Eagle Meadowbank Road and then flown to site via helicopter. Structures for the proposed camp may include 4 sleeper tents, 1 kitchen, 1 dry, 1 generator shack, and 1 outhouse. The majority of the structures will be insulated Weatherhaven tents, or similar, with tarp floors. There will also be a fuel cache near camp, and other fuel caches may also be required to support exploration activities.

B. Results of review

On behalf of INAC's Water Resources Division, the following comments and recommendations are provided for the NWB's consideration:

1. Meadowbank All-Weather Access Road

Source:

- 1) 2BE-MPM---- 5530 Nunavut Inc. Application

Comment: The Licensee has stated that they will use the Meadowbank All-Weather Access Road to get close to their camp and then use helicopter for transportation

of materials.

Recommendation 1: INAC recommends notifying Agnico-Eagle in advance to ensure that access has been granted to use the road.

2. Start of Activities

Source:

- 1) 2BE-MPM---- 5530 Nunavut Inc. Application

Comment: The Licensee has indicated that they intend to start operations on June 15, 2017.

Recommendation 2: INAC advises the applicant that work is not to commence until all authorizations have been approved and granted including approval of this water licence application.

3. Abandonment Restoration Plan

Source

- 1) 2BE-MPM---- 5530 Nunavut Inc. Application, Abandonment Restoration Plan

Comment: Section 5.4 Restoration describes restoring the MuskoX Diamond Property as recommended by the inspector.

Recommendation 3: INAC would like clarification on this section as this is a new water licence application and should have no recommendations from an inspector.