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Good Afternoon Phyllis:

Sub: Commitments by GN-CGS regarding 3AM-GRA1015 Type "A"-License Amendment Application

I am furnishing the commitment queries regarding the mentioned license amendment application below for your information and consideration:

1. To provide Char River flow data that may be available from Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd. If no flow information is available, to advise if it would be possible to obtain and provide flow data in the future. This information is to be provided by February 7, 2014. If the information is not available from Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd., the timeline will be revisited.

Mr. Stephane Robert, Manager, Regulatory Affairs, Agnico-Eagle Mines has provided me two pages report/data related to the flow data contained in the study report prepared by Golder Associates, retained by Agnico-Eagle Mines. I am attaching herewith those pages and the email correspondence with Stephane (Agnico-Eagle) and Elizabeth (DFO).

2. To provide confirmation from DFO that withdrawal of water from Char River would not affect the existing fish habitat compensation agreement between DFO and Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd... This information is to be provided by February 7, 2014. If the information is not available from existing GN-CGS data or the analysis cannot be completed based on the existing data, the timeline will be revisited

We contacted both DFO and Agnico-Eagle regarding the above issue. The Agnico-Eagle informed that they did not have any habitat compensation agreement for Char River because they did not touch the river bed. DFO is not aware of such agreement. DFO also tells that under DFO's Fisheries Protection Program new process, all new projects are triaged by their Burlington office. They have reviewed the Rankin Inlet water supply

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project and indicated they have no concerns and no Fisheries Act Authorization would be required (Ref: Email).

3. To provide additional information on water chemistry within Lower Landing Lake and Char River to determine whether or not it is substantially different from Nipissar Lake, outlining any potential impacts water transfers will have on water quality of the source and discharge water-bodies. This information is to be provided by February 7, 2014.

Information is not available currently. If required, samples will be collected from the Char River during the spring melt in July, 2014.

I trust this is helpful to comply with our commitments for processing the license amendment application. If you or any of your staff have questions or would like further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Regards,

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Attachment: 1. Flow Data-2 Pages
2. Email Correspondance