



**NIRB File No. : 11EN010**

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*AANDC File Nos.: N2013F0030 & N2011C0010*

*NWB File Nos.: 2BE-MEA0813 & 2BE-MEA1318*

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& KVRW011F01*

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**Re: Application Pending NPC Conformity Determination and Referral from an Authorizing Agency for Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.'s "Amaruq Access Road" Project Proposal**

Dear David Frenette:

The Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.'s (AEM) "Type B Water Licence Application for Amaruq Access Road" project proposal from your office on March 18, 2015. On April 16, 2015 the NIRB received a referral from the Nunavut Water Board this project proposal. On April 24, 2015 the NIRB received from AEM applications for Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada's (AANDC) a Land Use Permit and a Quarrying Permit for this project proposal. The project proposal submission included the following documents:

- *NWB Application for a Type B Water Licence in English and Inuktitut*
- *NWB Referral*
- *AANDC Land Use Permit Application in English*
- *AANDC Quarrying Permit Application in English*
- *Maps*
- *Non-technical Project Proposal summary in English*
- *Non-technical Project Proposal summary in Inuktitut*
- *Various Reports and Plans*

Your project appears to be located in an area which requires conformity to the Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan, pursuant to Article 11 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA). Please be advised that Proponents are required to submit their project proposals

directly to the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) for a conformity determination. For further information, please contact NPC's Director Regional Planning, Brian Aglukark, at (867) 857-2242 or via email at [aglukark@nunavut.ca](mailto:aglukark@nunavut.ca).

The NIRB conducts screening (environmental impact assessment) of project proposals upon referral from Government departments/agencies and Regional Inuit Associations responsible for authorizing the proposed project works or activities. Please be advised that it is the Proponent's responsibility to apply for all authorizations and approvals required to carry out the proposed project works or activities.

Once the NIRB receives a positive conformity determination from the NPC and a Referral from an authorizing agency, the Board will screen the project proposal in accordance with Article 12, Part 4 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement and will report to the Government Minister(s) responsible for authorizing the project.

If you have any questions or require clarification, feel free to contact Natasha Lear, Environmental Administrator, at 867-983-4612 or via email at [info@nirb.ca](mailto:info@nirb.ca).

Sincerely,



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Nunavut Impact Review Board

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