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Sent via email: jamie.quesnel@agnicoeagle.com

Re: Opportunity to Address Comments Received Regarding Agnico Eagle Mines Limited's Meliadine Gold Mine Project 2018 Annual Monitoring Report

## Dear Jamie Quesnel:

On April 2, 2019 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received Agnico Eagle Mines Limited's (Agnico Eagle) *Meliadine Gold Mine Project 2018 Annual Monitoring Report* (2018 Annual Report) as required by the amended Meliadine Gold Mine Project Certificate No. 006.

On April 10, 2019 the NIRB requested that interested parties review the 2018 Annual Report and provide comments with respect to their jurisdiction and/or area of expertise on whether the conclusions reached by Agnico Eagle in the 2018 Annual Report were valid. Furthermore, parties were requested to comment on the Proponent's compliance status with regard to authorizations that have been issued for the Project Certificate.

On or before May 10, 2019 the NIRB received comments from the following interested parties:

- Government of Nunavut (GN)
- Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC)
- Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC)
- Transport Canada (TC)

All comment submissions received by the NIRB related to the 2018 Annual Report can be obtained from the NIRB's online public registry at <a href="https://www.nirb.ca/project/124106">www.nirb.ca/project/124106</a>.

The NIRB would like to provide Agnico Eagle with an opportunity to address these comments prior to the completion of the *NIRB Annual Monitoring Report for the Meliadine Gold Mine Project*, and requests that a response be provided directly to the NIRB by **June 11, 2019**. If Agnico Eagle determines that the time required to supply a written response is significantly greater than three (3) weeks, the Board requests written notification as soon as possible with an anticipated date for submission.

Please send any forthcoming submissions directly to the NIRB at <a href="mailto:info@nirb.ca">info@nirb.ca</a>, or through the online public registry at <a href="www.nirb.ca">www.nirb.ca</a>.

Should you have any questions or require clarification regarding the NIRB's monitoring of the Meliadine Gold Mine Project, please contact the undersigned directly at (867) 857-4566 or via email at <a href="mailto:ereimer@nirb.ca">ereimer@nirb.ca</a> or contact Kelli Gillard, Manager, Project Monitoring at (867) 983-4619 or at <a href="mailto:kgillard@nirb.ca">kgillard@nirb.ca</a>.

Sincerely,

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Nunavut Impact Review Board

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