



NIRB File No.: 19EN027

Related to NIRB File No.: 17EA068 and 16EN035

NPC File No.: 149099

Related to NPC File No.: 148647 & 148849

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Sent via email: david.frenette@agnicoeagle.com

Re: Suspension of Assessment Activities for Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.'s "Whale Cove Area Exploration" Project Proposal, Pursuant to NuPPAA Subsection 143(2)

Dear David Frenette:

On August 7, 2019 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received the enclosed correspondence from Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd. (Agnico Eagle) in which a request has been made for the suspension of the NIRB's assessment of the "Whale Cove Area Exploration" project proposal, NIRB File No.: 19EN027. Having taken into consideration the Proponent's comments in respect of the requested suspension, pursuant to s. 143(2) of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act*, S.C. 2013, c. 14, s. 2 (*NuPPAA*) the Board is hereby suspending the assessment of the "Whale Cove Area Exploration" project proposal as requested, effective **August 9, 2019**.

Should the Proponent wish to resume the assessment in the future, a written request must be filed directly with the NIRB; please note that if such a written request has not been filed within three (3) years of the suspension date August 9, 2019, the assessment of the project will be terminated as per s. 143(4) of the *NuPPAA*.

Should you have any questions regarding the suspension of this assessment or the information required to support screening of this project proposal in the future, please contact Jaida Ohokannoak, Technical Advisor II, directly at (867) 983-4609 or at johokannoak@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,



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Nunavut Impact Review Board

Enclosure (1): Proponent Suspension Request August 7, 2019

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