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Once the current circumstances, including public health directions change, the Board will revisit its guidance regarding next steps in the assessment of the Proposal. In the interim, the Board continues to encourage Agnico Eagle and parties to use this pause in the NIRB's process to engage in party-to-party dialogue regarding technical issues if possible, to resolve as many issues as possible prior to the technical meetings occurring; the Board may seek an update to the status of technical issues prior to convening the meetings.

As the Board continues to monitor and respond to ongoing developments arising from the unprecedented public health response to COVID-19 (novel coronavirus), the Board appreciates the support from participants in its assessment process in light of these challenging circumstances. The Board continues to be guided by the priority of preserving the health and safety of Nunavummiut and all participants in our processes. If you have any questions regarding the Board's approach moving forward, please contact the undersigned directly at (867) 983-4608 or [kcostello@nirb.ca](mailto:kcostello@nirb.ca).

Sincerely,



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