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Dear Ms. Arko:

I am writing on behalf of the Minister of Northern Affairs to acknowledge receipt of the Nunavut Impact Review Board's (Board) Report on Agnico Eagle Mines Limited's (Agnico Eagle) Emergency Amendment No. 1 to Type "A" Water Licence No. 2AM-MEL1631 for the Meliadine Gold Mine Project. Under subsection 152(4) of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act*, the Board may submit a report to the federal Minister highlighting the key issues in Agnico Eagle's Final Report on the emergency activities conducted, and propose any terms and conditions specific to these activities.

I have noted the Board's conclusions in its Report and that no additional terms and conditions were recommended. To conclude, I would encourage Agnico Eagle to fully consider the topics raised in the Board's recommendations. Thank you for providing this Report in a timely manner.

Sincerely,

Joanna Ankersmit
Director General
Natural Resources and Environment Branch

c.c.: The Honourable Joyce Murray, P.C., M.P.
Sharon Ehaloak, Nunavut Planning Commission
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