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April 19, 2024

To: Meliadine Distribution List

Sent via email

Re: Comment Request for Agnico Eagle's Meliadine Project 2023 Annual Report

Dear Parties:

On March 31, 2024, the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received Agnico Eagle Mines Limited's (Agnico Eagle) *Meliadine 2023 Annual Report (2023 Annual Report)* as required by the Meliadine Gold Mine Project Certificate No. 006 Amendment 2 (NIRB File No. 11MN034). On April 11, 2024, following a completeness check, the NIRB requested clarification on documents within the *2023 Annual Report* which were subsequently submitted by April 19, 2024.

The NIRB requests that interested parties review the *2023 Annual Report* and provide comments with respect to their jurisdiction and/or area of expertise by **June 3, 2023**.

The *2023 Annual Report* and supplemental documents are available for review from the NIRB's Public Registry at www.nirb.ca/project/125515. Access to the documents can be made by:

- Selecting the "Documents Tab" of the Project Dashboard(s) then select the "Annual Report" category on the left pane;
- Selecting "Recent Documents" on the Project Dashboards; or
- Searching the Public Registry with the Document ID numbers identified in [Appendix A: NIRB Document ID Nos for Agnico Eagle's 2023 Annual Report](#)

As per Section 12.7.3 of the *Agreement between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada (Nunavut Agreement)*, s. 135(4) of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act*, S.C. 2013, c. 14 (*NuPPAA*), and the amended Meliadine Gold Mine Project Certificate, the NIRB's monitoring program focuses on compliance and effects monitoring. The NIRB requests that interested parties review the *2023 Annual Report* and provide comments with respect to their jurisdiction and/or area of expertise on the following:

1. Effects monitoring

- a. Whether the conclusions reached by Agnico Eagle in the *2023 Annual Report* are valid; and
- b. Any areas of significance requiring further supporting information or any changes to the monitoring program which may be required.

In addition, the NIRB is requesting that Regulatory Authorities also provide comments and/or information associated with their respective mandate and jurisdiction, with respect to the following. An example format for tracking comments and Proponent responses is included in Appendix B.

2. Compliance monitoring

- a. Provide a summary of any compliance monitoring and/or site inspections undertaken in association with the Project, including specifically;
 - i. Identify the terms and conditions from the Project Certificate which have been incorporated into any permits, certificates, licenses, or other approvals issued for the Project, where applicable, and report annually to the NIRB on the status of those incorporated terms and conditions;
 - ii. A summary of any inspections conducted during the 2023 reporting period, and the results of these inspections; and
 - iii. A summary of Agnico Eagle's compliance status with regard to authorizations that have been issued for the Project.

This information is important to assist the NIRB assess, coordinate, integrate, and ensure that the Board has the information to accurately measure effects, adequately assess compliance with terms and conditions, regulatory instruments, and agreements, and whether the Projects are carried out in accordance with the terms and conditions as set out in the project certificate.

Please send all forthcoming submissions directly to the NIRB via email at info@nirb.ca.

Please note for your records that the NIRB has appointed the following individual to serve as the Monitoring Officer for the Meliadine Gold Mine Project. To mail materials to the NIRB, please use the address below.

Nunavut Impact Review Board
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Impact Assessment Officer
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Should you have any questions or require clarification regarding the NIRB's monitoring of the Meliadine Gold Mine Project, please contact the undersigned at (867) 983-4603 or lklaassen@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,



Leah Klaassen
Impact Assessment Officer
Nunavut Impact Review Board

Attachments (2): Appendix A: NIRB Document ID Nos for Agnico Eagle's *2023 Annual Report*
Appendix B: Example Table for Comments on Annual Report

cc: Sara Savoie, Agnico Eagle Mines Limited
Anne-Laurence Paquet, Agnico Eagle Mines Limited
Jade Robitaille, Agnico Eagle Mines Limited

Appendix A: NIRB Document ID Nos for Agnico Eagle's 2023 Annual Report

Appendix	Document	Document ID
N/A	Meliadine Gold Mine 2023 Annual Report	349046
1	2023 Meliadine Gold Mine Annual Report Appendix Summary Table	349047
2	2023 Drill Site Locations	349048
3	2023 General Site Layout	349049
4	Water Balance and Water Quality Modeling Tabular Data	349050
5	CP1 Nutrients Predictions	349051
6	2023 Annual Geotechnical Inspection Report	349077, 349078, 349079, 349080, 349081, 349082, 349083
7	2022 Annual Geotechnical Report Agnico Eagle Reponses and Action Table	349052
8	2023 Annual Geotechnical Report Agnico Eagle Reponses and Action Table	349520
9	2023 Metal Leaching and Acid Rock Drainage Monitoring Report	349521
10	2023 Results of the Tailings Supernatant Sampling	349055
11	WRSF1 and WRSF3 Plans and Sections at the end of 2023	349056
12	TSF Plans and Sections and the end of 2023	349057
13	2023 Stack Testing Report	349058
14	2023 Reportable Spills	349059, 349060
15	2023 Non-Reportable Spills	349061
16	2022 Mock Spill Scenario Report	349062
17	2023 Aquatic Ecosystem Monitoring Program (AEMP) Report	349063, 349064, 349065
18	2023 Water Monitoring Stations Results	349066
19	2023 DDH Water Samples Results	349067
20	2023 Calibration Data	349522
21	2023 Blast Monitoring Report	349068
22	2023 Noise Monitoring Report	349069
23	2023 Air Quality Monitoring Report	349070
24	2023 Toolbox Presentations	349072
25	2023 Terrestrial Environment Management and Monitoring Plan Report	349073, 349074, 349075
26	2023 Wildlife Observations	349076
27	2023 Marine Mammal and Seabird Observation Report	349084, 349086
28	Management Plans	349085, 349087, 349088, 349089,

		349090, 349091, 349092, 349093, 349094, 349097
29	2023 Post-Oil Transfer Reports	349095
30	2023 Community Engagement Table	349096
31	2023 Rankin Inlet Community Liaison Committee Newsletter	349098
32	2023 TAG Annual Report	349099
33	Socio-Economic Monitoring Program	349100
34	2023 Socio-Economic Monitoring Program Report	349105
35	2023 Training	349101
36	NIRB Project Certificate Tracking Table	349102
37	NWB Water Licences Tracking Table	349103
38	2022 Annual Report Comments Tracking Table	349104
39	Inuktitut Summaries of Monitoring Results	349106

Appendix B: Example Table for Comments on the Annual Report

Comment Number:	
Subject/Topic:	
References:	To the appropriate section in the Annual Report and/or Addendum
Comment:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Gap/Issue 2. Disagreement with the Annual Report conclusion 3. Reasons for disagreement with the Annual Report conclusion 4. Disagreement and reasons for disagreement with conclusions within the Additional Documents in the Appendix
Conclusion/Request:	