Dear Chief Tony Wawatie,

On December 6, 2021, the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the Agency) received a Detailed Project Description and Response to Summary of Issues from Agnico Eagle Mines Limited (the Proponent) for the Upper Beaver Gold Project (the Project). The Proponent thereby completed the activity for which the <u>time limit suspension</u> was requested on October 28, 2021, and the <u>time limit for the planning phase has resumed</u> as of December 6, 2021.

## **Next Steps:**

The Agency will review the Proponent's Detailed Project Description and Response to Summary of Issues, and will decide within approximately 10 days whether these items sufficiently meet the information prescribed by the *Information and Management of Time Limits Regulations*, or whether the Proponent must revise and re-submit these documents.

If the documents are acceptable, then the Agency will share these documents on the Registry (<u>Project</u> <u>82960</u>) and proceed with the determination of whether a federal impact assessment is required for the Project, pursuant to the *Impact Assessment Act*.

The Agency will continue to contact you to convey the outcome and next steps in the impact assessment process. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me by email at <u>UpperBeaver@iaac-aeic.gc.ca</u> or by phone at 647-355-7318.

Thank you,

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