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Mining Matters Curricular Resource Unveiled

IQALUIT, Nunavut (April 10, 2013) – The Department of Education today unveiled *Mining Matters*, a curricular resource for use in all Nunavut schools. This resource provides learning opportunities that will encourage Nunavut youth to pursue skilled trades and professional careers in the mining industry.

“I am very pleased that our partnership with Agnico-Eagle has brought stimulating learning and outreach opportunities to students in the Kivalliq, and excellent curricular resource materials to their teachers,” said Minister of Education Premier Eva Aariak. “I look forward to providing *Mining Matters* to all our schools, giving our students outstanding learning material on earth sciences, helping them stimulate their interest in careers in the mining industry.”

The Government of Nunavut – Agnico Eagle Memorandum of Understanding on cooperation has been in place for a year. It has helped the two parties enhance hands-on trades-related learning opportunities for Kivalliq students. As well, it supports the resource sharing and expertise in the development and delivery of mines and trades-related curriculum and career development activities. The shared goal is to increase the number of students in the Kivalliq region who will be able to successfully transition from high school to trades and mining-related careers.

“We are very pleased that our MOU with the Government of Nunavut has given us the opportunity to provide teachers training and support for using the *Mining Matters* curricular resource in the classroom,” said Agnico-Eagle’s President and CEO Sean Boyd. “Agnico-Eagle is deeply committed to ensuring that we are able to make a significant and positive difference in the Kivalliq region and this agreement provides Kivalliq students with the incentive and opportunity to pursue their dreams in an industry that has vast potential in Nunavut.”

The mining sector plays a significant role in local, regional and territorial economic development through job training, job creation and opportunity growth for Nunavummiut.

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