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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington D.C. 20549

**Report of Foreign Issuer**  
**Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of**  
**The Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

For the Month of

February 2004

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**Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited**

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(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

**AGNICO-EAGLE MINES LIMITED**

Date: February 25, 2004

By: /s/ DAVID GAROFALO

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David Garofalo  
Vice President, Finance &  
Chief Financial Officer

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## NEWS RELEASE

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### AGNICO-EAGLE REPORTS IMPROVED FOURTH QUARTER EARNINGS; SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN GOLD RESERVES

Toronto (February 25, 2004) **Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited** today announced improved fourth quarter earnings of \$2.4 million, \$0.03 per share compared to \$0.8 million, or \$0.01 per share, in the same period of 2002. Similarly, operating cash flow in the quarter nearly doubled to \$10.5 million, or \$0.12 per share, from \$5.4 million, or \$0.07 per share, the previous year.

Highlights for the quarter include:

Steady improvement in operating results at LaRonde Mine as 70,299 ounces of gold was produced at cash operating costs of \$180 per ounce (\$220 per ounce total cash operating costs including El Coco royalty).

Operating improvements continue into 2004 with nearly 25,000 ounces of gold produced in January at total cash operating costs of \$115 per ounce as increasing byproduct silver, zinc and copper production is sold at higher prices.

Proven and probable gold reserves increase by 96% to a record 7.9 million ounces as a substantial conversion of mineral resource to reserve occurs at LaRonde, Lapa and Goldex.

Drill intercepts from the Level 215 exploration drift on LaRonde II encounter higher gold grades, indicating potential for more gold at depth.

"We have made steady progress in the fourth quarter increasing output and lowering unit costs to produce an ounce of gold. We expect this progress to continue in 2004 with further increases in production, lower cash costs and stronger earnings and cash flow," said Sean Boyd, President and Chief Executive Officer. "Our gold reserves are at record levels and our regional development projects put us in a strong position to build value through an expanded production base," added Mr. Boyd.

#### Conference Call Tomorrow

The Company will host a conference call on Thursday, February 26, 2004 at 11:00 a.m. (EST). Please phone 416-640-4127 at that time if you would like to participate or you can participate in a listen-only mode via the Company's website [www.agnico-eagle.com](http://www.agnico-eagle.com). The replay phone number will be 1-877-289-8525, passcode 21031479#.

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In the fourth quarter of 2003, the Company reported net income of \$2.4 million, or \$0.03 per share, on metal revenues of \$41.9 million, compared to net earnings of \$0.8 million, or \$0.01 per share, on metal revenues of \$31.6 million in the comparable 2002 period. Gold production was 70,299 ounces at a cash operating cost of \$180 per ounce compared to 75,235 ounces at a cash operating cost of \$128 per ounce. Including the El Coco royalty, total cash operating costs increased from \$198 per ounce in 2002 to \$220 per ounce in 2003.

The improved fourth quarter earnings reflect a higher gold price and a tax recovery, offset somewhat by the lower gold production. As a result, operating cash flow nearly doubled in the fourth quarter of 2003 to \$10.5 million, or \$0.12 per share, compared to \$5.4 million, or \$0.07 per share, in 2002.

The Company ended the year with over \$140 million in working capital, including \$110 million in cash, and a completely undrawn \$125 million revolving bank facility. While positive operating cash flow of \$4 million was generated in 2003, over \$52 million of cash was invested in the now completed expansion at LaRonde and acquisitions.

### LaRonde's Solid Fourth Quarter Performance Leads to Good Start in 2004

LaRonde delivered a solid operating performance in the fourth quarter as 627,000 tons of ore were processed for a daily rate of over 6,800 tons compared to 538,000 tons or over 5,800 tons per day in the fourth quarter of 2002. More importantly, the mine delivered record quarterly production from the lower level mining horizon, where the gold grades are highest, of over 456,000 tons, representing 73% of the total tonnage processed. Onsite mine costs increased slightly to C\$54 per ton in the fourth quarter from C\$53 per ton in 2002. However, the onsite costs showed improvement over the course of the quarter as C\$49 per ton was realized in December when ore production reached nearly 7,400 tons per day.

Underground ore production exceeded mill production as 636,000 tons of ore were hoisted from underground during the quarter, resulting in an increase in surface stockpiles. This trend continued into January 2004 as over 234,000 tons were hoisted from underground while the mill processed 220,000 tons, or 7,100 tons per day, and onsite costs decreased to C\$48 per ton. Overall, gold production in January was nearly 25,000 ounces at a total cash operating cost of \$115 per ounce.

### Gold Reserves at Record Level

The Company's proven and probable gold reserves increased to a record 7.9 million ounces, a 96% increase, as significant resources were converted at LaRonde, Lapa and Goldex.

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| Gold Reserve/Resource Summary | Proven & Probable Reserve |       | Measured & Indicated Resource |       | Inferred Resource |       |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|-------|-------------------------------|-------|-------------------|-------|
|                               | 2003                      | 2002  | 2003                          | 2002  | 2003              | 2002  |
|                               | (000's ozs.)              |       |                               |       |                   |       |
| LaRonde                       | 5,021                     | 4,022 | 327                           | 75    | 2,889             | 3,978 |
| Goldex                        | 1,647                     |       | 91                            | 997   | 173               | 423   |
| Lapa                          | 1,187                     |       | 114                           |       | 58                | 653   |
| Bousquet                      | 9                         |       | 256                           |       | 648               |       |
| Ellison                       |                           |       | 41                            | 41    | 483               | 106   |
| Total                         | 7,864                     | 4,022 | 829                           | 1,113 | 4,251             | 5,160 |

Gold reserves and resources were estimated using an assumed gold price of \$325 per ounce. Though the gold price is higher than the \$300 per ounce assumption used in last year's reserve estimate, this impact was essentially negated by the change in the C\$/US\$ exchange rate assumed from 1.50 to 1.40. The above mineral reserve and resource estimate does not include the significant byproduct silver, zinc and copper contained in the LaRonde ore body. Please see the table appended to this press release for more detailed reserve and resource estimates. Using a \$350 gold price, gold reserves would increase by 6%.

Agnico-Eagle also has excellent exposure to higher silver prices with increasing silver production and silver reserves of 68 million ounces.

### Deep Drilling at LaRonde Results in Significant Gold Reserve Conversion

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At LaRonde, seven drills targeted the following areas:

One drill testing Zone 7 between Levels 167 to 194.

Three drills on production delineation drilling on Zone 20 North between Level 152 and 194.

Three drills on LaRonde II deep exploration below level 215.

Over 50,000 feet of diamond drilling was completed during the fourth quarter, bringing the total in 2003 to over 160,000 feet. Of this total, over 69,000 feet was attributable to LaRonde II exploration.

Good development performance opened up new drill stations to the west along the Level 215 exploration drift. At the end of the year, the drift was 1,500 feet to the east of the Bousquet property and is projected to reach the property by April. The focus of the three drills on Level 215 during the fourth quarter was to provide adequate drill hole density to enable the further conversion of resource to reserve at depth and to probe Zone 20 North at depth and to the west, now that previous boundary constraints have been removed.

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The results have been summarized below:

| Drill Hole | True<br>Thickness(ft) | From    | To      | Gold(oz/ton)<br>Cut(1.5 oz) | Silver(oz/ton) | Copper(%) | Zinc(%) |
|------------|-----------------------|---------|---------|-----------------------------|----------------|-----------|---------|
| 3215-68A   | 45.9                  | 4,160.0 | 4,245.0 | 0.19                        | 2.21           | 0.61      | 1.87    |
| 3215-69    | 15.7                  | 1,494.5 | 1,511.2 | 0.18                        | 0.27           | 0.34      | 0.03    |
| 3215-70    | 9.2                   | 1,314.0 | 1,323.9 | 0.09                        | 0.38           | 0.95      | 0.06    |
| 3215-71    | 12.5                  | 1,191.0 | 1,203.5 | 0.33                        | 0.32           | 0.17      | 0.11    |
| 3215-72    | 16.1                  | 3,410.6 | 3,433.6 | 0.21                        | 0.11           | 0.12      | 0.02    |
| 3215-73    | 22.6                  | 3,420.1 | 3,452.6 | 0.26                        | 0.11           | 0.01      | 0.06    |
| 3215-74A   | 73.5                  | 3,135.0 | 3,287.6 | 0.20                        | 0.28           | 0.12      | 0.04    |
| including  | 42.7                  | 3,135.0 | 3,225.9 | 0.28                        | 0.22           | 0.04      | 0.01    |
| 3215-75    | 56.4                  | 2,615.3 | 2,687.5 | 0.22                        | 0.13           | 0.08      | 0.04    |
| including  | 44.0                  | 2,629.1 | 2,684.8 | 0.26                        | 0.15           | 0.09      | 0.02    |
| 3215-76    | 43.3                  | 2,921.7 | 2,989.3 | 0.32                        | 0.09           | 0.02      | 0.03    |
| including  | 34.1                  | 2,921.7 | 2,974.9 | 0.39                        | 0.10           | 0.02      | 0.03    |

Five drill holes were completed within the known gold resource at depth. Depths varied from 8,800 feet to 10,000 feet below surface. The intercepts confirmed the existence of a higher grade gold resource. Most of the drill holes were characterized with uniform gold values across the intercept but frequently with a higher grade core as demonstrated by drill holes 3215-74A, 3215-75, and 3215-76. The horizontal distance between drill holes 3215-73 and 3215-74A is approximately 1,000 feet with the grades varying between 0.21 to 0.28 ounces of gold per ton. Approximately 500 feet to 1,000 feet above this axis, grades vary from 0.22 to 0.32 ounces of gold per ton. At this early stage, the higher grade gold core has been defined over an area of 1,000 feet by 1,000 feet. The area is still open at depth and to the west.

### LaRonde Gold Resource Expanding to the West

The most interesting result was obtained outside the previous resource envelope in drill hole 3215-68A which intersected 45.9 feet grading 0.19 ounces of gold per ton, 2.21 ounces of silver per ton, 0.61% of copper and 1.87% zinc. This value was located 4,352 feet to the west of the Penna Shaft, on the recently acquired Terrex Property, representing the most westerly drill hole completed on Zone 20 North at depth.

The result is intriguing because of the reoccurrence of massive sulfide bands, unlike the intercepts above, with locally up to 15% chalcopyrite mineralization and the reoccurrence of zinc values. Historically, all massive sulfide lenses on the LaRonde property have been characterized by zinc mineralization along the eastern limits. Drill holes 3215-72, 3215-73 and 3215-68A seem to indicate a thickening of mineralization and increasing massive sulphide occurrences to the west. In terms of a geological model, the lower sulfide- higher grade gold core described above could be interpreted as an alteration zone with additional potential further to the west than previously interpreted. Alternatively, because of the distances involved, drill hole 3215-68A could be the occurrence of a new massive sulfide lens as indicated by the presence of massive sulphides, copper and zinc mineralization. A final possibility is that this result represents the extension of the LaRonde (Shaft #1)/Bousquet II horizon.

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In summary, the recent drill results from Level 215 have indicated the following:

Existence of a higher grade gold core at depth.

Existence of multiple lenses at depth that are open for further exploration.

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Zone 20 North is open for further expansion at depth and more importantly on the recently acquired Terrex and Bousquet properties to the south and west.

### Regional Project Update

On the **Lapa Project** the recent drilling results continued to be encouraging. In the fourth quarter, seven drills completed 38 holes, focused primarily on infill drilling that resulted in the significant resource to reserve conversion. Gold reserves at Lapa stand at 1.2 million ounces and the deposit remains open for expansion.

Five drills recommenced work on the property in early January with the objective of expanding the reserve base by finding new ore shoots along strike of the known gold bearing zones as well as proving the depth extension to the current reserve and resource. In parallel with the ongoing surface drill program, preliminary engineering has been initiated with the intent of having various options available by the middle of the year to be able to "fast track" the development of the property.

At **Goldex**, a new reserve and resource model was estimated and a review of the project conducted by independent engineers. Based on their recommendation, the Company has decided to undertake an underground program to provide additional geological and sampling information to increase the level of confidence in the gold grade. Three vertical slot raises plus additional diamond drilling will be completed over the course of 2004 with a bulk sample expected to be processed in the first quarter of 2005. A feasibility study will be prepared at that time. The Goldex deposit has a reserve base of 1.6 million ounces.

At **LaRonde II**, a feasibility study is expected to be completed in late 2004, incorporating the results of the deep drilling program currently in progress at LaRonde.

Evaluation of **Bousquet** commenced with four underground diamond drills. The first drill is testing potential extensions of mineralization at depth on the Ellison Property from the 9<sup>th</sup> Level. Two drills located in the ramp below the 9<sup>th</sup> Level are testing for downward extensions of the 3-1 Zone. A fourth drill is located at the bottom of the Bousquet Shaft and is probing the results at depth encountered in Drill Hole 3215-68A, intersected from LaRonde's Level 215 exploration drift.

### Outlook for 2004

As previously disclosed, LaRonde's total cash operating costs are expected to decline significantly in 2004 to a range of \$155 to \$165 per ounce, based on a silver price of \$5.00 per ounce, zinc price of \$0.40 per pound, copper price of \$0.85 per pound and C\$/US\$ exchange rate of 1.30. The decline in total cash operating costs from those estimated for 2003 is attributable to the elimination of the El Coco royalty (\$54 per ounce in 2003) and higher gold and byproduct silver production as well as increases in other byproduct metal production. In 2004, gold production is expected to increase 27% to 300,000 ounces while silver production is expected to increase 19% to 4.7 million ounces.

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The estimated sensitivity of LaRonde's 2004 total cash operating costs to changes in metal prices and exchange rates follows:

| Change in variable   | Impact on total cash operating costs (\$/oz.) |
|----------------------|---|
| \$0.10 in C\$/US\$   | 25  |
| \$0.50/oz. in silver | 10  |

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| Change in variable   | Impact on total cash operating costs (\$/oz.) |
|----------------------|---|
| \$0.05/lb. in zinc   | 16  |
| \$0.10/lb. in copper | 7   |

A summary of the Company's projected exploration and capital expenditures in 2004 follows (thousands):

| Project                           | Capitalized | Expensed | Total     |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|----------|-----------|
| LaRonde I projects                | \$ 10,300   |          | \$ 10,300 |
| LaRonde I sustaining              | 12,600      |          | 12,600    |
| LaRonde II drilling & feasibility | 3,800       |          | 3,800     |
| Goldex bulk sample & engineering  | 4,700       |          | 4,700     |
| Lapa drilling & engineering       | 3,200       |          | 3,200     |
| Bousquet/Ellison drilling         | 2,300       |          | 2,300     |
| Grassroots exploration*           |             | 2,000    | 2,000     |
|                                   | \$ 36,900   | \$ 2,000 | \$ 38,900 |

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does not include Agnico-Eagle's projected \$1.2 million share of grassroots exploration conducted by Sudbury Contact, its exploration affiliate, which Sudbury Contact will fund out of its own cash reserves. However, Agnico-Eagle must expense its share for accounting purposes.

### Where to Find Maps

The longitudinal illustrations that detail the drill results presented in this news release can be viewed and downloaded from the Company's website [www.agnico-eagle.com](http://www.agnico-eagle.com) (*Press Release*) or:

<http://files.newswire.ca/3/AGNICO-LONG20N.pdf>

<http://files.newswire.ca/3/Laronde-BousquetCrSec.pdf>

<http://files.newswire.ca/3/PropertyPlan.pdf>

### Forward Looking Statements

This news release contains certain "forward-looking statements" (within the meaning of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995) that involve a number of risks and uncertainties. There can be no assurance that such statements will prove to be accurate; actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. Risks and uncertainties are disclosed under the heading "Risk Factors" in the Company's Annual Information Form (AIF) filed with certain Canadian securities regulators (including the Ontario and Quebec Securities Commissions) and with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (as Form 20-F).

### About Agnico-Eagle

Agnico-Eagle is a long established Canadian gold producer with operations located in northwestern Québec and exploration and development activities in eastern Canada and the southwestern United States. Agnico-Eagle's LaRonde Mine in Québec is Canada's largest gold deposit. The Company has full exposure to higher gold prices consistent with its policy of no forward gold sales. It has paid a cash dividend for 24 consecutive years.

**Agnico-Eagle Mineral Reserve & Mineral Resource Data**

| <b>Category and Zone</b>                          | <b>Au(oz/t)</b> | <b>Ag(oz/t)</b> | <b>Cu(%)</b> | <b>Zn(%)</b> | <b>Au<br/>(000's oz.)</b> | <b>Tons<br/>(000's)</b> |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| <i>Proven Mineral Reserve</i>                     |                 |                 |              |              |                           |                         |
| LaRonde   | 0.09            | 2.49            | 0.42         | 4.24         | 638                       | 6,848                   |
| Bousquet  | 0.09            |                 |              |              | 9                         | 104                     |
| <b>Subtotal Proven Mineral Reserve</b>            | <b>0.09</b>     |                 |              |              | <b>647</b>                | <b>6,952</b>            |
| <i>Probable Mineral Reserve</i>                   |                 |                 |              |              |                           |                         |
| LaRonde   | 0.13            | 1.47            | 0.31         | 2.32         | 4,383                     | 34,754                  |
| Lapa  | 0.25            |                 |              |              | 1,187                     | 4,661                   |
| Goldex  | 0.07            |                 |              |              | 1,647                     | 23,983                  |
| <b>Subtotal Probable Mineral Reserve</b>          | <b>0.11</b>     |                 |              |              | <b>7,217</b>              | <b>63,938</b>           |
| <b>Total Proven and Probable Mineral Reserves</b> | <b>0.11</b>     |                 |              |              | <b>7,864</b>              | <b>70,350</b>           |
| <i>Measured &amp; Indicated Mineral Resource</i>  |                 |                 |              |              |                           |                         |
| LaRonde   | 0.09            | 0.70            | 0.27         | 1.10         | 327                       | 3,716                   |
| Goldex  | 0.08            |                 |              |              | 91                        | 1,174                   |
| Lapa  | 0.16            |                 |              |              | 114                       | 705                     |
| Bousquet  | 0.16            |                 |              |              | 256                       | 1,608                   |
| Ellison   | 0.16            |                 |              |              | 41                        | 249                     |
| <b>Total Measured &amp; Indicated Resource</b>    | <b>0.11</b>     |                 |              |              | <b>829</b>                | <b>7,452</b>            |
| <i>Inferred Mineral Resource</i>                  |                 |                 |              |              |                           |                         |
| LaRonde   | 0.19            | 1.15            | 0.35         | 0.94         | 2,889                     | 15,294                  |
| Bousquet  | 0.27            |                 |              |              | 648                       | 2,445                   |
| Goldex  | 0.06            |                 |              |              | 173                       | 2,797                   |
| Lapa  | 0.18            |                 |              |              | 58                        | 324                     |
| Ellison   | 0.29            |                 |              |              | 483                       | 1,692                   |
| <b>Total Inferred Resource</b>                    | <b>0.19</b>     |                 |              |              | <b>4,251</b>              | <b>22,552</b>           |

A qualified person, Guy Gosselin, P.Eng., P.Geo., LaRonde Division's Chief Geologist, has verified the LaRonde exploration information disclosed in this news release. The verification procedures, the quality assurance program and quality control procedures used in preparing such data may be found in the 2003 Mineral Resource and Mineral Reserve Report, Agnico-Eagle Mines Limited, LaRonde Division, dated May 12, 2003, filed on SEDAR.

Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd. is reporting mineral resource and reserve estimates in accordance with the CIM guidelines for the estimation, classification and reporting of resources and reserves. The effective date of each estimate is December 31, 2003. More recent information on exploration, mining, processing, metallurgy and other economic factors have also been used. The estimates disclosed in this news release are based on the following key metal price assumptions and foreign exchange rates: gold, \$325/oz; silver, \$5.00/oz; copper \$0.80/lb; zinc \$0.50/lb; US\$/C\$=1.40. There are no known relevant issues that would materially affect the estimates. No independent verification of the data has been published.

Tonnage amounts and contained metal amounts presented in the tables in this news release have been rounded to the nearest 1000.

A mineral reserve is the economically mineable part of a measured or indicated resource demonstrated by at least a preliminary feasibility study. This study must include adequate information on mining, processing, metallurgical, economic and other relevant factors that demonstrate, at the time of reporting, that

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economic extraction can be justified. A mineral reserve includes diluting materials and allows for losses that may occur when the material is mined. A proven mineral reserve is the economically mineable part of a measured resource for which quantity, grade or quality, densities, shape and physical characteristics are so well established that they can be estimated with confidence sufficient to allow the appropriate application of technical and economic parameters, to support production planning and evaluation of the economic viability of the deposit. A probable mineral reserve is the economically mineable part of an indicated mineral resource for which quantity, grade or quality, densities, shape and physical characteristics can be estimated with a level of confidence sufficient to allow the appropriate application of technical and economic parameters, to support mine planning and evaluation of the economic viability of the deposit.

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A mineral resource is a concentration or occurrence of natural, solid, inorganic or fossilized organic material in or on the earth's crust in such form and quantity and of such a grade or quality that it has reasonable prospects for economic extraction. The location, quantity, grade, geological characteristics and continuity of a mineral resource are known, estimated or interpreted from specific geological evidence and knowledge. A measured mineral resource is that part of a mineral resource for which quantity, grade or quality, densities, shape, physical characteristics, can be estimated with a level of confidence sufficient to allow the appropriate application of technical and economic parameters, to support mine planning and evaluation of the economic viability of the deposit. The estimate is based on detailed and reliable exploration, sampling and testing information gathered through appropriate techniques from locations such as outcrops, trenches, pits, workings and drill holes that are spaced closely enough to confirm both geological and grade continuity. An indicated mineral resource is that part of a mineral resource for which quantity, grade or quality, densities, shape and physical characteristics can be estimated with a level of confidence sufficient to allow the appropriate application of technical and economic parameters, to support mine planning and evaluation of the economic viability of the deposit. The estimate is based on detailed and reliable exploration and testing information gathered through appropriate techniques from locations such as outcrops, trenches, pits, workings and drill holes that are spaced closely enough for geological and grade continuity to be reasonably assumed. An inferred mineral resource is that part of a mineral resource for which quantity and grade or quality can be estimated on the basis of geological evidence and limited sampling and reasonably assumed, but not verified, geological and grade continuity. The estimate is based on limited information and sampling gathered through appropriate techniques from locations such as outcrops, trenches, pits, workings and drill holes. Mineral resources which are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability.

The qualified person responsible for the LaRonde II, Lapa and Goldex pre-feasibility studies is Rosaire Émond P.Eng., Regional Division's Senior Mining Engineer.

The qualified person responsible for the LaRonde mineral reserve and resource estimate is Guy Gosselin, P.Eng, P.Geo., LaRonde Division's Chief Geologist. A description of the operating and capital cost assumptions, parameters and methods used to estimate the Penna shaft can be found in the LaRonde Division SEDAR disclosure cited above. Recently disclosed probable reserves, located between 9,200 ft and 9850 ft depth, are estimated using a grade cut-off equivalent to a minimum net smelter return of \$42.90/ton.

The qualified person responsible for the Lapa and Goldex mineral reserve and resource estimates is Marc H. Legault, P.Eng., Manager, Project Evaluations of Agnico-Eagle.

The minimum gold grade cut-off used to evaluate drill intercepts at Goldex was 0.04 oz/ton over a minimum true thickness of 50 feet. The reserve was derived by evaluating a three-dimensional model of the Goldex Extension zone, whose gold grade was estimated using a 95% confidence interval grade calculation method, and then adjusting the model envelope to only include sectors with a high probability of exceeding the cut-off grade.

In estimating the Lapa resource and reserve, a minimum gold grade cut-off of 0.15 and 0.19 oz/ton, respectively was used to evaluate drill intercepts that have been adjusted to respect a minimum mining width of 9.2 ft. The estimate was derived using a three dimensional block model of the deposit; the grades were interpolated using the inverse distance power squared method.

The qualified person responsible for the Bousquet and Ellison mineral reserve and resource estimates is Normand Bédard P.Geo., Regional Division's Senior Geologist. In estimating the Bousquet and Ellison mineral resource and reserve, a minimum gold grade cut-off of 0.09 oz/ton was used to evaluate drill intercepts that have been adjusted to respect a minimum mining width of 9.8 ft. The estimate was derived using a combination of three dimensional block modeling (grades were interpolated using the inverse distance power squared method) for certain zones and for other zones, by the polygonal method on longitudinal sections. A portion of the resource estimate is based on estimates reported when the Bousquet I mine closed in 1996. The resource was reviewed and reclassified using the CIM definition and guidelines. This information is of a good quality and is considered reliable.

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### AGNICO-EAGLE MINES LIMITED

### SUMMARIZED QUARTERLY DATA

(Unaudited)

(thousands of United States dollars, except where noted, US GAAP basis)



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|  | Three months ended December 31, |           | Year ended December 31, |            |
|--|---------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|------------|
|  | 2003                            | 2002      | 2003                    | 2002       |
| <b>Consolidated Financial Data</b>                           |                                 |           |                         |            |
| <b>Income and cash flow</b>                                  |                                 |           |                         |            |
| <i>LaRonde Division</i>                                      |                                 |           |                         |            |
| Revenues from mining operations                              | \$ 41,849                       | \$ 31,640 | \$ 126,820              | \$ 108,027 |
| Mine operating costs   | 30,153                          | 23,293    | 104,990                 | 75,969     |
| Mine operating profit  | \$ 11,696                       | \$ 8,347  | \$ 21,830               | \$ 32,058  |
| Net income (loss) for period                                 | \$ 2,387                        | \$ 816    | \$ (19,498)             | \$ 4,023   |
| Net income (loss) per share                                  | \$ 0.03                         | \$ 0.01   | \$ (0.23)               | \$ 0.06    |
| Operating cash flow (before non-cash working capital)        | \$ 10,477                       | \$ 5,416  | \$ 3,952                | \$ 20,364  |
| Weighted average number of shares basic (in thousands)       | 84,424                          | 77,487    | 83,889                  | 70,821     |
| Tons of ore milled   | 626,994                         | 537,895   | 2,448,579               | 1,963,129  |
| Head grades:   |                                 |           |                         |            |
| Gold (ounces per ton)  | 0.12                            | 0.14      | 0.11                    | 0.14       |
| Silver (ounces per ton)                                      | 2.22                            | 2.32      | 2.16                    | 2.35       |
| Zinc   | 2.87%                           | 3.74%     | 3.10%                   | 4.14%      |
| Copper   | 0.60%                           | 0.50%     | 0.55%                   | 0.34%      |
| Recovery rates:  |                                 |           |                         |            |
| Gold   | 91.79%                          | 92.97%    | 91.41%                  | 93.14%     |
| Silver   | 85.80%                          | 80.60%    | 82.60%                  | 80.60%     |
| Zinc   | 81.60%                          | 78.00%    | 78.20%                  | 78.40%     |
| Copper   | 82.50%                          | 80.30%    | 80.30%                  | 71.40%     |
| Payable production:  |                                 |           |                         |            |
| Gold (ounces)  | 70,299                          | 75,235    | 236,653                 | 260,183    |
| Silver (ounces in thousands)                                 | 1,220                           | 1,104     | 3,953                   | 3,094      |
| Zinc (pounds in thousands)                                   | 24,732                          | 26,610    | 100,337                 | 108,060    |
| Copper (pounds in thousands)                                 | 5,749                           | 3,984     | 20,131                  | 8,927      |
| Realized prices per unit of production:                      |                                 |           |                         |            |
| Gold (per ounce)   | \$ 395                          | \$ 318    | \$ 368                  | \$ 312     |
| Silver (per ounce)   | \$ 5.27                         | \$ 4.51   | \$ 5.07                 | \$ 4.61    |
| Zinc (per pound)   | \$ 0.43                         | \$ 0.34   | \$ 0.38                 | \$ 0.34    |
| Copper (per pound)   | \$ 0.94                         | \$ 0.71   | \$ 0.82                 | \$ 0.70    |
| Onsite operating costs per ton milled (Canadian dollars)     | \$ 54                           | \$ 53     | \$ 52                   | \$ 52      |
| <b>Total operating costs per gold ounce produced:</b>        |                                 |           |                         |            |
| Onsite operating costs (including asset retirement expenses) | \$ 372                          | \$ 244    | \$ 390                  | \$ 253     |
| Less: Non-cash asset retirement expenses                     | (3)                             | (5)       | (2)                     | (5)        |
| Net byproduct revenues                                       | (189)                           | (111)     | (173)                   | (107)      |
| <b>Cash operating costs</b>                                  | \$ 180                          | \$ 128    | \$ 215                  | \$ 141     |
| Accrued El Coco royalties                                    | 40                              | 70        | 54                      | 41         |
| <b>Total cash operating costs</b>                            | \$ 220                          | \$ 198    | \$ 269                  | \$ 182     |
| Non-cash costs:  |                                 |           |                         |            |
| Asset retirement expenses                                    | 3                               | 5         | 2                       | 5          |
| Amortization   | 53                              | 37        | 74                      | 50         |

|  | Three months ended December 31, |     | Year ended December 31, |     |
|--|---------------------------------|-----|-------------------------|-----|
|  | \$                              | 276 | \$                      | 240 |
|  | \$                              | 345 | \$                      | 237 |

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## AGNICO-EAGLE MINES LIMITED

## CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(thousands of United States dollars, US GAAP basis)

|   | December 31,<br>2003 | December 31,<br>2002 |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|
|   | (Unaudited)          |                      |
| <b>ASSETS</b>                                     |                      |                      |
| Current   |                      |                      |
| Cash and cash equivalents                         | \$ 110,365           | \$ 152,934           |
| Metals awaiting settlement                        | 34,570               | 29,749               |
| Income taxes recoverable                          | 7,539                | 2,900                |
| Inventories:                                      |                      |                      |
| Ore stockpiles                                    | 6,557                | 4,604                |
| In-process concentrates                           | 1,346                | 1,008                |
| Supplies  | 6,276                | 5,008                |
| Prepaid expenses and other                        | 10,363               | 10,025               |
| Total current assets                              | 177,016              | 206,228              |
| Fair value of derivative financial instruments    | 7,573                | 1,835                |
| Investments and other assets                      | 11,214               | 8,795                |
| Future income and mining tax assets               | 41,579               | 23,890               |
| Mining properties                                 | 399,719              | 353,059              |
|   | \$ 637,101           | \$ 593,807           |
| <b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>       |                      |                      |
| Current   |                      |                      |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities          | \$ 29,915            | \$ 15,246            |
| Dividends payable                                 | 3,327                | 3,013                |
| Income and mining taxes payable                   |                      | 954                  |
| Interest payable                                  | 3,161                | 1,873                |
| Total current liabilities                         | 36,403               | 21,086               |
| Long-term debt                                    | 143,750              | 143,750              |
| Fair value of derivative financial instruments    |                      | 5,346                |
| Asset retirement obligation and other liabilities | 15,377               | 5,043                |
| Future income and mining tax liabilities          | 40,848               | 20,889               |

|                                      | December 31,<br>2003        | December 31,<br>2002        |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
|                                      | <u>                    </u> | <u>                    </u> |
| <b>Shareholders' Equity</b>          |                             |                             |
| Common shares                        |                             |                             |
| Authorized unlimited                 |                             |                             |
| Issued 84,469,804 (2002 83,636,861)  | 601,305                     | 591,969                     |
| Warrants                             | 15,732                      | 15,732                      |
| Contributed surplus                  | 7,181                       | 7,181                       |
| Deficit                              | (218,055)                   | (196,023)                   |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss | (5,440)                     | (21,166)                    |
|                                      | <u>                    </u> | <u>                    </u> |
| Total shareholders' equity           | 400,723                     | 397,693                     |
|                                      | <u>                    </u> | <u>                    </u> |
|                                      | \$ 637,101                  | \$ 593,807                  |
|                                      | <u>                    </u> | <u>                    </u> |

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### AGNICO-EAGLE MINES LIMITED

#### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (LOSS) AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

(Unaudited)

(thousands of United States dollars, except per share amounts, US GAAP basis)

|   | Three months ended<br>December 31, |                             | Year ended December 31,     |                             |
|---|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
|   | 2003                               | 2002                        | 2003                        | 2002                        |
|   | <u>                    </u>        | <u>                    </u> | <u>                    </u> | <u>                    </u> |
| <b>REVENUES</b>   |                                    |                             |                             |                             |
| Revenues from mining operations                               | \$ 41,849                          | \$ 31,640                   | \$ 126,820                  | \$ 108,027                  |
| Interest and sundry income                                    | (477)                              | (830)                       | 2,775                       | 1,943                       |
|   | <u>                    </u>        | <u>                    </u> | <u>                    </u> | <u>                    </u> |
|   | 41,372                             | 30,810                      | 129,595                     | 109,970                     |
| <b>COSTS AND EXPENSES</b>                                     |                                    |                             |                             |                             |
| Production  | 30,153                             | 23,293                      | 104,990                     | 75,969                      |
| Exploration and corporate development                         | 1,464                              | 1,042                       | 5,975                       | 3,766                       |
| Equity loss in junior exploration company                     | 1,500                              |                             | 1,626                       |                             |
| Amortization  | 3,729                              | 2,756                       | 17,504                      | 12,998                      |
| General and administrative                                    | 1,820                              | 1,667                       | 7,121                       | 5,530                       |
| Provincial capital tax  | 58                                 | (345)                       | 1,240                       | 829                         |
| Interest  | 2,486                              | 1,855                       | 9,180                       | 7,341                       |
| Foreign currency (gain) loss                                  | 113                                | (134)                       | 72                          | (1,074)                     |
|   | <u>                    </u>        | <u>                    </u> | <u>                    </u> | <u>                    </u> |
| Income (loss) before income, mining and federal capital taxes | 49                                 | 676                         | (18,113)                    | 4,611                       |
| Federal capital tax   | 192                                | 221                         | 1,090                       | 949                         |
| Income and mining tax recovery                                | (2,530)                            | (361)                       | (1,448)                     | (361)                       |

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|   | Three months ended<br>December 31, |                 | Year ended December 31, |                   |
|---|------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
|   |                                    |                 |                         |                   |
| Income (loss) before cumulative catch-up adjustment                                 | 2,387                              | 816             | (17,755)                | 4,023             |
| Cumulative catch-up adjustment relating to FAS 143                                  |                                    |                 | (1,743)                 |                   |
| <b>Net income (loss) for the period</b>   | <b>\$ 2,387</b>                    | <b>\$ 816</b>   | <b>\$ (19,498)</b>      | <b>\$ 4,023</b>   |
| Net income (loss) before cumulative catch-up adjustment per share basic and diluted | \$ 0.03                            | \$ 0.01         | \$ (0.21)               | \$ 0.06           |
| Cumulative catch-up adjustment per share basic and diluted                          |                                    |                 | (0.02)                  |                   |
| <b>Net income (loss) per share basic and diluted</b>                                | <b>\$ 0.03</b>                     | <b>\$ 0.01</b>  | <b>\$ (0.23)</b>        | <b>\$ 0.06</b>    |
| Weighted average number of shares (in thousands)                                    |                                    |                 |                         |                   |
| Basic & diluted   | 84,424                             | 77,487          | 83,889                  | 70,821            |
| <b>Comprehensive income (loss):</b>   |                                    |                 |                         |                   |
| <i>Net Income (loss) for the period</i>   | <b>\$ 2,387</b>                    | <b>\$ 816</b>   | <b>\$ (19,498)</b>      | <b>\$ 4,023</b>   |
| <i>Other comprehensive income (loss):</i>   |                                    |                 |                         |                   |
| <i>Unrealized gain (loss) on hedging activities, net of tax</i>                     | 1,708                              | (960)           | 8,807                   | (5,512)           |
| <i>Dilution gain on issuance of shares by subsidiary, net of tax</i>                |                                    | 1,610           | 4,500                   | 1,610             |
| <i>Unrealized gain on available for sale securities, net of tax</i>                 | 625                                | 1,558           | 2,258                   | 1,558             |
| <i>Minimum pension liability</i>  |                                    | (980)           |                         | (980)             |
| <i>Derivative instruments maturing in the year, net of tax</i>                      | 1,801                              | 1,090           | 1,801                   | 723               |
| <i>Realized gain on available for sale securities, net of tax</i>                   | (155)                              |                 | (1,640)                 |                   |
| <b>Other comprehensive income (loss)</b>  | <b>\$ 3,979</b>                    | <b>\$ 2,318</b> | <b>\$ 15,726</b>        | <b>\$ (2,601)</b> |
| <b>Comprehensive income (loss) for the period</b>                                   | <b>\$ 6,366</b>                    | <b>\$ 3,134</b> | <b>\$ (3,772)</b>       | <b>\$ 1,422</b>   |

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF DEFICIT AND ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE LOSS

(Unaudited)  
(thousands of United States dollars, US GAAP basis)

|                                  | Three months ended December 31, |              | Year ended December 31, |              |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|--------------|
|                                  | 2003                            | 2002         | 2003                    | 2002         |
| <b>Deficit</b>                   |                                 |              |                         |              |
| Balance, beginning of period     | \$ (217,908)                    | \$ (194,330) | \$ (196,023)            | \$ (197,537) |
| Net income (loss) for the period | 2,387                           | 816          | (19,498)                | 4,023        |
| Dividends declared               | (2,534)                         | (2,509)      | (2,534)                 | (2,509)      |

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|  | Three months ended December 31, |              | Year ended December 31, |              |
|--|---------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|--------------|
|  |                                 |              |                         |              |
| Balance, end of period                           | \$ (218,055)                    | \$ (196,023) | \$ (218,055)            | \$ (196,023) |
| <b>Accumulated other comprehensive loss</b>      |                                 |              |                         |              |
| Balance, beginning of period                     | \$ (9,419)                      | \$ (23,434)  | \$ (21,166)             | \$ (18,565)  |
| Other comprehensive income (loss) for the period | 3,979                           | 2,318        | 15,726                  | (2,601)      |
| Balance, end of period                           | \$ (5,440)                      | \$ (21,116)  | \$ (5,440)              | \$ (21,116)  |

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited)

(thousands of United States dollars, US GAAP basis)

|  | Three months ended<br>December 31, |          | Year ended December 31, |          |
|--|------------------------------------|----------|-------------------------|----------|
|  | 2003                               | 2002     | 2003                    | 2002     |
| <b>Operating activities</b>                                      |                                    |          |                         |          |
| Net income (loss) for the period                                 | \$ 2,387                           | \$ 816   | \$ (19,498)             | \$ 4,023 |
| Add (deduct) items not affecting cash from operating activities: |                                    |          |                         |          |
| Amortization   | 3,729                              | 2,756    | 17,504                  | 12,998   |
| Provision for future income and mining taxes                     | (1,161)                            | 642      | 1,090                   | 1,183    |
| (Gain) loss on derivative contracts                              | 412                                | (336)    | (2,265)                 | (1,680)  |
| Cumulative catch-up adjustment relating to FAS 143               |                                    |          | 1,743                   |          |
| Amortization of deferred costs and other                         | 5,110                              | 1,538    | 5,378                   | 3,840    |
| Cash flow from operations, before working capital changes        | 10,477                             | 5,416    | 3,952                   | 20,364   |
| Change in non-cash working capital balances                      |                                    |          |                         |          |
| Metals awaiting settlement                                       | (15,709)                           | (12,095) | (4,821)                 | (9,669)  |
| Income taxes recoverable   | (2,791)                            | (1,360)  | (4,639)                 | (2,549)  |
| Inventories  | (295)                              | (533)    | (3,559)                 | (863)    |
| Prepaid expenses and other                                       | (4,273)                            | (2,508)  | (5,382)                 | (2,319)  |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities                         | 15,443                             | 5,615    | 17,414                  | 8,327    |
| Interest payable   | 2,851                              | 1,466    | 1,288                   | (179)    |
| Cash flows from (used in) operating activities                   | 5,703                              | (3,999)  | 4,253                   | 13,112   |
| <b>Investing activities</b>                                      |                                    |          |                         |          |
| Additions to mining properties                                   | (13,062)                           | (13,896) | (42,038)                | (64,836) |
| Acquisitions, investments and other                              | 1,641                              | (965)    | (10,438)                | (1,773)  |

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|  | Three months ended<br>December 31, |            | Year ended December 31, |            |
|--|------------------------------------|------------|-------------------------|------------|
|  |                                    |            |                         |            |
| Cash flows used in investing activities                      | (11,421)                           | (14,861)   | (52,476)                | (66,609)   |
| <b>Financing activities</b>                                  |                                    |            |                         |            |
| Dividends paid   |                                    |            | (2,431)                 | (1,344)    |
| Common shares issued   | 1,501                              | 177,718    | 8,461                   | 193,784    |
| Warrants issued  |                                    | 15,732     |                         | 15,732     |
| Share and warrant issue costs                                | (271)                              | (9,162)    | (271)                   | (9,162)    |
| Proceeds from long-term debt                                 |                                    |            |                         | 143,750    |
| Financing costs  |                                    |            |                         | (5,266)    |
| Bank debt  |                                    | (30,000)   |                         | (30,000)   |
| Repayment of the Company's senior convertible notes          |                                    |            |                         | (122,169)  |
| Cash flows from financing activities                         | 1,230                              | 154,288    | 5,759                   | 185,325    |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents | (20)                               | (193)      | (105)                   | (74)       |
| Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents                    | (4,508)                            | 135,235    | (42,569)                | 131,754    |
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period               | 114,873                            | 17,699     | 152,934                 | 21,180     |
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of period                     | \$ 110,365                         | \$ 152,934 | \$ 110,365              | \$ 152,934 |
| <i>Other operating cash flow information:</i>                |                                    |            |                         |            |
| Interest paid during the period                              | \$ 349                             | \$ 640     | \$ 7,750                | \$ 23,590  |
| Taxes paid during the period                                 | \$ 653                             | \$ (1,320) | \$ 2,887                | \$ (1,982) |

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