



GREAT LAKES UNITED

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Dear Sarah:

Citizens organizations in the Great Lakes Basin have made significant progress in addressing issues of critical importance through cooperation, collaboration and coordination of activities. To maintain and strengthen this tradition, on **March 30-31, 1992**, Great Lakes United will convene a Great Lakes Environmental Leaders Meeting at the **Ramada Inn, Detroit Metro Airport, Romulus, Michigan**.

The meeting, which has been made possible by the generous financial support of the C.S. Mott Foundation, will be an opportunity for leaders of Great Lakes environmental organizations to discuss strategies to deal with current issues and to coordinate the activities of our groups. We invite you, or a representative of your organization, to attend this meeting.

This meeting will be similar to meetings which took place in April 1988, and in April of 1990. These efforts proved highly successful in developing a clearer sense of the niches which each group fill and led to a number of joint follow-up activities.

Attached to this letter you will find a list of the organizations which have been invited to send a representative to this meeting. Because of the limited space available at the meeting we are restricting the attendance to one representative per group. Invitations have been sent to representatives of regional organizations and statewide or province wide coalitions. **Please return the enclosed form to us by March 15, 1992 to confirm your attendance.**

Travel costs and hotel accommodations (shared rooms) will be reimbursed by Great Lakes United. Please estimate your travel costs on the attendance confirmation form and **return it to us by fax (716) 886-0303 or mail by March 15, 1992**. We are asking each of you to make your own travel arrangements. Please keep in mind, however, that travel funds are limited (average \$250 per person) and we would appreciate it if you keep costs to a

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Draft Agenda for
Great Lakes Environmental Leaders
Meeting

Ramada Inn, Detroit Metro Airport

Monday, March 30, 1992

- 12:00 - 1:00 Informal Luncheon Get Together in the Ramada Inn
- 1:00 - 1:30 Agenda review and introductions.
- 1:30 - 3:00 Discussion - Review of current topic areas
and upcoming events and opportunities for
action.
- Topics - Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement
Zero Discharge/Sunsetting
Lake Superior
Habitat Protection (Including Wetlands)
Clean Water Act
IJC
- 3:00 - 3:15 Break
- 3:15 - 5:00 Brainstorming on Problems and Opportunities for
Collaborative Actions and Activities
- 5:00 - 6:00 What are the emerging issues?
- 6:30 - 8:00 Convene for Supper

Tuesday, March 31, 1992

- 7:30 - 8:30 Breakfast in the hotel
- 8:30 - 10:00 Discussion - Key issues we should address in the
coming year.
- 10:00 - 10:15 Break
- 10:15 - 11:45 Discussion - Strategies for working on key issues.
- 11:45 - 1:00 Discussion - Skill development needs,
funding, computer network for Great Lakes
activists, cooperative paper purchase.
- 1:00 - 1:30 Summary
- 1:30 Informal Lunch for those who can stay.

List of Groups Invited

Atlantic States Legal Foundation
Assembly of First Nations
Audubon Society
Canadian Environmental Law Association
Citizens for a Better Environment
Environmental Planning Lobby
Federation of Ontario Naturalists
Great Lakes United
Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission
Greenpeace
Hoosier Environmental Council
Illinois Environmental Council
Lake Michigan Federation
Michigan United Conservation Clubs
Michigan Environmental Coalition
National Wildlife Federation
Ohio Environmental Council
Pennsylvania Federation of Sportsmen
Pollution Probe
Project Environment Foundation
Quebec Union for the Conservation of Nature
Sierra Club
United Auto Workers
Wisconsin Environmental Decade

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