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The International Joint Commission today announces further details for the 1993 Biennial Meeting under the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement to be held in Windsor, October 22 to 24, 1993.

At the same time, and in the attached release, the Great Lakes Water Quality advisory groups release their 1993 reports to the International Joint Commission and to the public.

Since the signing of the 1978 Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement, governments have struggled to develop a strategy for virtually eliminating persistent toxic substances. Significant elements of this strategy have emerged during the past two biennial reporting cycles. Each group's enclosed report suggests new ways to approach the issue of eliminating persistent toxic substances and, in some instances, recommendations for new programs, legislation and technologies needed to respond to challenges to restore and protect the Great Lakes - St. Lawrence Ecosystem.

This Biennial Meeting is the sixth in a series that began in Indianapolis, Indiana in 1983 and continued in Kingston, Ontario in 1985, in Toledo, Ohio in 1987, in Hamilton, Ontario in 1989 and in Traverse City, Michigan in 1991. The meetings bring together representatives of various levels of governments and a wide range of interests including scientists, industrialists and citizens of Canada and the United States. In 1991, more than 1,600 people attended the series of meetings in northern Michigan.

The Commission welcomes participation in the 1993 Biennial Meeting on Great Lakes Water Quality. Media support arrangements, including interviews, are available on site for those attending the Biennial Meeting. For further information, contact:

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