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Dear Ms Miller:

By separate cover the International Joint Commission sent you a copy of its Interim Report to the Governments of the United States and Canada on Protection of the Waters of the Great Lakes.

The Commissioners would greatly appreciate your comments on this report. They are particularly interested in your views on whether there are any gaps in the report or areas that should be more fully addressed during the second phase of the study. Any advice you might have on ways that our final report might be made more comprehensive and more useful to the governments and citizens of our two countries would be most welcome.

It would be most helpful to the Commission in completing its final report on Great Lakes issues if you could submit any comments or other thoughts you might have on this subject by the end of September, if possible, but in any event no later than the end of October 31, since we intend to begin work on the final report in early November. Written comments would be especially appreciated. In addition, we encourage you to attend and participate in one of the public hearings the Commission is organizing throughout the Great Lakes Basin during mid-October.

We look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Yours sincerely,

Murray Clamen
Secretary
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