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[An Urgent Invitation from the Canadian Environmental Law Association \(CELA\) and the Ontario Environment Network \(OEN\) Water Caucus to attend a Source Protection Workshop on May 26th and May 27th, 2003.](#)

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[Source Protection Action Alert. CELA urges groups and individuals to review and support the Report of the Advisory Committee on Watershed-Based Source Protection Planning. T. McClenaghan, Paul Muldoon, April 25, 2003. \(PDF file: 2 p.\)](#)

[In the Wake of the Walkerton Tragedy: The Top 10 Questions. Prepared for "National Symposium on Water Law" \(Canadian Bar Association, Vancouver, March 28 & 29, 2003\). R.D. Lindgren. \(PDF file: 39 p.\)](#)

[Overview of the Safe Drinking Water Act: What's In, What's Out? Prepared for "Water and Wastewater: Regulation and Management Forum", Insight Conference - March 24 & 25, 2003. R. D. Lindgren. \(PDF file: 1 p.\)](#)

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[Remarks to the International Joint Commission Hearings on Water Uses in the Great Lakes Basin, Toronto Hearing, S. Miller. January 20, 2003. \(PDF file: 4 p.\)](#)

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CELA Appointed to Source Protection Advisory Committee

Walkerton 2003: More Questions Than Answers

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Border Crossing Challenges: Annex 2001

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CELA's perspective on the future of public drinking water in Ontario (CELA Newsletter article, Vol. 25 No.2 Apr-Jun 2000)

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May 29, 2002: CELA says "trade rules will interfere with Walkerton recommendations"

May 23, 2002: CELA Applauds Walkerton Report

April 15, 2002: CELA to Represent Citizens at OMYA-Tay River Appeals

February 15, 2002: CELA Asks Government to Scrap Bill 155 (An Act respecting the cost of water and wastewater services)

January 16, 2002: Walkerton Citizens Hoping for Answers from Walkerton Inquiry Report

May 24, 2001: Provincial Safe Drinking Water Legislation Must be Walkerton's Legacy

December 5, 2000: Concerned groups challenge governments on export and diversion of Great Lakes water

September 28, 2000: Environmentalists Urge All-Party Support For Proposed Safe Drinking Water Law In

Ontario

August 8, 2000: Environmentalists Pan Drinking Water Regulation Proposed by Ontario

June 9, 2000: Citizen's Group in Walkerton Seeks to Intervene in Public Inquiry

June 6, 2000: Environmentalists Criticize Minister's Drinking Water Proposal: Call on Ontario to Enact Safe Drinking Water Law

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March 15, 2000: Debate on Water Cycles Back to the Need for Action: IJC Releases Final Report on Great Lakes Water Uses Reference

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November 9/99: Environmental Minister Water Protection Measure Full of Holes, Says Environmental Law Group

September 19/99: Water Watch Summit a Huge Success

February 9/99: National Organizations Urge Chrétien to Ban Bulk Water Exports Before It's Too Late

Letter to Prime Minister Chrétien

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Water Services in Ontario: For the Public, By the Public -- Submission from the Canadian Environmental Law Association

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([Model Bill and Commentary in PDF format](#))

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Detailed Response to Ontario Ministry of Environment Consultation on a Regulation Made Under the Ontario Water Resources Act: Water Transfers (large HTML file), February 1999

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For detailed information on the legal and policy implications of water and sewage privatization, and the need for public interest regulation, see CELA's brief to the Legislature on Bill 107: Ontario's Water Resources: The Need for Public Interest Regulation (Brief to Standing Committee Reviewing Bill 107 - February, 1997 (large HTML file)

What's Your Municipality Up To?

Ask your mayor, councillors, or public works officials if they are considering privatization. Use this draft resolution:

[Draft Municipal Resolution on Keeping Water and Wastewater Services in Public Hands](#)

Selected Additional Links:

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