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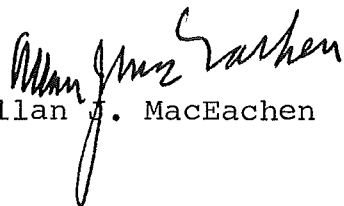
Dear Ms. Vigod,

Thank you for your letter of October 12 in which you advise me of the views of the Canadian Environmental Law Association (CELA) concerning possible repercussions which might arise from a proposed intervention by the Province of Ontario in the "S" area case in New York State. I have written to Mr. Norton, the Ontario Environment Minister in this regard.

Your comments regarding the desirability of keeping diplomatic channels open on such sensitive environmental issues have been noted. We are hopeful that the endeavours in this direction being pursued by the federal and provincial governments acting in cooperation will serve to advance and protect the Canadian interests in this case.

I appreciate your apprising me of CELA's views on this important issue.

Yours sincerely,


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