



**UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO**  
STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

June 14, 1989

Great Lakes Program  
207 Jarvis Hall  
Buffalo, New York 14260  
(716) 636-2088

Ralph R. Rumer  
Director

R. Warren Flint  
Associate Director

TO: GREAT LAKES TOXIC CHEMICAL - HUMAN HEALTH RESEARCHERS

FROM: Dr. Warren Flint, Associate Director, Great Lakes Program

*RWF*

Re: CHANGE IN THE DATE OF THE INTERNATIONAL WORKING CONFERENCE

If you will recall, I sent you a letter on May 24, 1989 inviting applications for delegate selection to attend the International Working Conference on EVALUATING RISKS TO HUMAN HEALTH ASSOCIATED WITH EXPOSURE TO TOXIC CHEMICALS IN THE GREAT LAKES BASIN ECOSYSTEM. This letter is to inform you of a change in the dates of this Conference.

Because of a change in scheduling at the proposed Conference site, the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Buffalo, NY, we have rescheduled the International Working Conference for September 30 to October 3, 1989. The Conference will actually begin at noon on Saturday September 30th and go through 6:00 PM Tuesday October 3rd.

Just a reminder, the deadline for application is July 31, 1989. A flyer further describing the Conference is enclosed for your information. A nomination application, which either nominates yourself or a colleague, should be sent to Dr. Warren Flint, Great Lakes Program, 207 Jarvis Hall, SUNY, Buffalo, NY 14260. For further information, call (716)636-2088.

RWF3.7/NOMINFOL.1tr



# UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO

STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

Great Lakes Program  
207 Jarvis Hall  
Buffalo, New York 14260  
(716) 636-2088

May 24, 1989

Ralph R. Rumer  
Director

R. Warren Flint  
Associate Director

TO: GREAT LAKES TOXIC CHEMICAL - HUMAN HEALTH RESEARCHERS

FROM: Dr. Warren Flint, Associate Director, Great Lakes Program *RWF*

Re: Call for Nominations to Attend INTERNATIONAL WORKING CONFERENCE

Presently there is no consensus on how, or if, toxic chemicals in the Great Lakes basin ecosystem are affecting human health. Our goal therefore, is to reduce public and scientific uncertainty, identify specific health impacts, and define future needed research. This goal will be accomplished by developing a comprehensive, cross-disciplinary approach to the assessment and reduction of risk to human health from exposure to toxic chemicals which considers issues of public policy, research and education. The project has been ongoing for a year and we have just completed a very successful Workshop that leads to the next step, an INTERNATIONAL WORKING CONFERENCE. A few Workshop highlights and Conference intent are given in the following pages.

I would like to invite you to submit a nomination letter to attend the INTERNATIONAL WORKING CONFERENCE on **EVALUATING RISKS TO HUMAN HEALTH ASSOCIATED WITH EXPOSURE TO TOXIC CHEMICALS IN THE GREAT LAKES BASIN ECOSYSTEM**. This Conference will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Buffalo, New York from October 3-6, 1989.

Sixty-five scientists met at the April 1989 Disciplinary Workshop to develop the background on this issue. Each discipline prepared a clear statement concerning the status of their knowledge. This Briefing Book will provide pre-conference briefing materials to assure each participant's being prepared to discuss, analyze, synthesize, and develop recommendations pertinent to the Conference goal. The INTERNATIONAL WORKING CONFERENCE will feature plenary sessions as well as small working group sessions designed to achieve maximum exchange among disciplines represented.

Participation in the INTERNATIONAL WORKING CONFERENCE will be by delegate selection. Delegates will be chosen from nominations submitted to the Conference Coordinating Committee. Approximately 60 experts representing many biophysical and social science disciplines will be invited. Delegates will represent academia, governmental agencies, special interest groups, and legislators. It is expected that chosen delegates will commit to three days of intensive work at the Conference plus a great deal of pre-conference preparation in reviewing the Briefing Book and collecting information they wish to present as evidence for their views.

The deadline for nomination application is July 31, 1989. Nominations should include a curriculum vitae and a cover letter committing to attend the Conference if selected. Conference sponsors will cover costs of travel and accommodations, if needed. Since representation at the Conference is desired from many disciplines as well governmental agencies, policy makers, and special interest groups, please indicate in your nomination cover letter if your qualifications cover one or more of these groups, besides a scientific discipline.

**Send nomination letters and C.V.s to Dr. Warren Flint, Great Lakes Program, 207 Jarvis Hall, SUNY, Buffalo, NY 14260.** For further information, call (716)636-2088.

## INTERNATIONAL WORKING CONFERENCE

EVALUATING RISKS TO HUMAN HEALTH ASSOCIATED WITH EXPOSURE TO TOXIC  
CHEMICALS IN THE GREAT LAKES BASIN ECOSYSTEM

SEPTEMBER 30 to OCTOBER 3, 1989

Hyatt Regency Hotel  
Buffalo, New York, U.S.A.

This Conference continues a project begun in August of 1988 by the Great Lakes Program of the State University of New York (SUNY) at Buffalo. Goals are to reduce uncertainty concerning potential health impacts from toxic chemicals in the Great Lakes and to define a research agenda that is achievable and has practical application. The focus will be a comprehensive, cross-disciplinary approach to the assessment and reduction of risk from toxic chemical exposure which considers issues of public policy, research and education.

The Conference will feature plenary sessions as well as small working group sessions which are designed to achieve maximum exchange among the different disciplines that will be represented. A Briefing Book developed from an April 1989 Disciplinary Workshop will provide pre-conference briefing materials to assure each participant's being appropriately prepared to discuss, analyze, synthesize, and develop recommendations pertinent to the Conference goal.

Participation in this Conference will be by delegate selection from nominations. Approximately 60 experts representing many biophysical and social science disciplines will be invited. It is expected that chosen delegates will commit to three days of intensive work at the Conference plus a great deal of pre-conference preparation in reviewing the Briefing Book and collecting information they wish to present as evidence for their views. Conference sponsors will cover costs of travel and accommodations of delegates, if needed.

The deadline for application is July 31, 1989. A nomination application, which either nominates yourself or a colleague, should include a current curriculum vitae and a cover letter committing to attend the Conference if selected. Delegates will represent academia, industry, governmental agencies, special interest groups, and legislators. Indicate in the cover letter if your qualifications cover one or more of these groups, besides a scientific discipline.

Send delegate application letters and C.V.s to Dr. Warren Flint, Great Lakes Program, 207 Jarvis Hall, SUNY, Buffalo, NY 14260. For information call (716)636-2088.