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Dear Tim:

Re: Great Lakes United's 1989 Annual General Meeting

Thanks for agreeing to speak at Great Lakes United's annual general meeting in Owen Sound. Your panel, "The Public and the International Joint Commission," is scheduled for Saturday at 1:00 p.m. Mr. Bissonette has agreed eagerly to join you and Sister Pat Lupo on the panel. He commented that there is some confusion and high expectations the public have of the IJC that he will "clear up."

I have not really scheduled anyone to moderate this discussion perhaps Fred can introduce it. I would like each panelist to speak for 15 minutes and then open it to the floor for questions. We should figure out some good questions to ask. You will be able to outline, I trust, the increased accountability, the public expects from the IJC, and how this has evolved. There are some signs that the IJC may be relaxing their rigidity a bit. As you know we have been planning this Citizen's parallel summit for Hamilton to coincide with the IJC's biennial meeting. John was speaking to Sally Cole-Mish who revealed they will be holding a public hearing and special panels on human health issues and future issues facing the basin, largely scooping our own summit programme ideas.

This year GLU is hoping to frame alot of our taskforce discussions on human health resolutions and on action plan strategies for the next year. I am anxious to get a lot of good resolutions into the office. I am concerned that the lack of staff has put us at a disadvantage in this. I hope you will consider drafting some resolutions which might come out of your "An international organization dedicated to conserving and protecting the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence River"

discussions on the responsibilities of the IJC and on the work you are doing with the Water Quality Standards Project. I hope Sister Pat will be able to use the local Erie fight to show the IJC's attitude's toward and their interactions with the public. It will be great to see you again. I don't suppose Haley would be interested in an outing to Owen Sound would she? I hope so!

Let the office know about resolutions. At last, Phil started work on March 20.

Best wishes,

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