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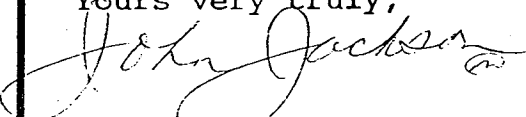
Dear Mr. Sand,

I have attached a copy of a letter sent to Secretary General Strong regarding the implementation of the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement by the federal governments of the United States and Canada. Because the issue of fresh water will be a high priority for the 1992 UNCED Conference in Brazil, we have asked the Secretary General to address Great Lakes Basin contamination and the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement during the conference.

The Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement is a precedent setting international agreement regarding the protection and restoration of the Great Lakes Basin ecosystem. Unfortunately, the two federal governments have failed to fulfil key commitments that they made in the Agreement.

I understand that you are keenly interested in the ability of various international legal instruments to achieve environmental protection. I have enclosed a copy of our report "Broken Agreement: The Failure of the United States and Canada to Implement the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement". This report outlines the specific instances where the national governments of Canada and the United States have failed to comply with the terms of the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement. The Agreement is a model

Yours very truly,


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