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To: Great bakes Community/IJC Biennial Organizers From: Mary Ginnebaugh, GLU-Windsor Date: May 20, 1993 RE: Progress on Organizing for the Biennial Meeting and Conference Call

During the CLU annual meeting held May 7-9 in Kingston, an UC Biennial Task Force was established to continue the organizing efforts for the biennial meeting. The oo-chairs of the task force are Kathy Bero and John Jackson.

The task force primarily discussed the revised program agenda, dated April 22nd, and letter from sally cole Misch of the IJC concerning the suggestions made earlier by the environmental organizations. Again, the concern was raised that the workshops scheduled for Saturday do not address any of the significant issues facing the IJC relative to their recommendations. There was also discussion on the days that the RAP forum is scheduled. There was consensus that holding the RAP discussions on Thursday and Friday makes it very difficult for the public to attend these very important meetings. It was decided by the task force that a resolution be drafted for GLU membership adoption regarding the need for a virtual elimination strategy workshop for Saturday and to hold the RAP forum on the weekend so the public can attend:

It was suggested that the RAP/PAC councils in Ontario become involved in this organizing effort. In the RAP discussion, Kathy Belo suggested the possibility of using information collected by Lake Michigan Federation on the 43 AOCS relative to public participation in the RAP process. Reference was also made to an article recently printed in the IAGLA Journal of Great Lakes Research, entitled "Ecosystem Management in the Great Lakes: Some Observations from Three RAP Sites", which compares Green Bay, Hamilton Harbor and Saginaw Bay RAPS.

A continuation of the task force meeting was held on Sunday morning at which it was agreed that another letter would be sent to the IJC repeating our request that IJC held a meaningful workshop on the virtual elimination strategy to; the Great Lakes and that the IJC reconsider the days to held the RAP forum (see attached). The task force also decided to held another conference call to further define the message to be delivered by the environmental groups during the one hour presentation adheduled for Saturday. The date for the conference call is May 27th at 11:00 EST (10:00 Central Time). To minimize coots this will be a call-in/pay-as-you-play conference call. All parties wishing to participate in the call should contact me by Mednesday, May 26th to receive the accepts number for the call. My Windsor Office telephone number is (519) 255-7141.

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