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Dear Interested Citizen:

On behalf of the Four Parties; Environment Canada, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Ontario Ministry of Environment and Energy and New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, I would like to invite you to attend a public meeting on the Niagara River and Lake Ontario to be held on November 19, 1996.

The purpose of the Niagara River Toxics Management Plan (NRTMP) segment of the meeting is to sign a Letter of Support to reaffirm each Party's commitment to the Declaration of Intent and present information about the NRTMP Progress Report and annual Work Plan. Following the presentations there will be opportunities for you to ask questions.

The second purpose of the meeting is to present the status and progress of the Lake Ontario Lakewide Management Plan. The presentation will include information on the Draft Stage I document and upcoming opportunities for public input.

Enclosed is a Meeting Announcement that includes a Registration Form. Please complete the Registration form if you are interested in attending the meeting and/or receiving materials that will be addressed during the meeting. **PLEASE RETURN THE REGISTRATION FORM BY OCTOBER 18, 1996 TO EITHER:**

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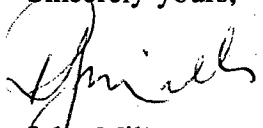
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Thank you for your continued interest and support of the Niagara River Toxics Management Plan and the Lake Ontario Lakewide Management Plan. We hope to see you at the public meeting.

Sincerely yours,



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Regional Director General



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and Energy



New York State
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