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Dennis L. Schornack, Chairman
International Joint Commission
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ACTION: BM

INFORMATION: LB, JC, FB, RT, CMRS

FILE:

Dear Commissioner Schornack,

My wife and I want to express our disbelief in the recommendation that was given to utilize Plans A+, B+ or D+ in the management of the lake level on Lake Ontario.

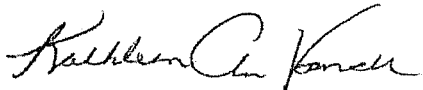
The lack of both upper and lower limits in all three proposed plans creates tremendous potential for extensive damage to the communities on Lake Ontario. Flooding would seriously damage or destroy many waterfront homes and businesses and ruin public roads and sewage systems. Water levels that are too low would devastate the boating and tourism industry ruining our livelihood and quality of life.

As boaters who have just sailed to both sides of Lake Ontario, we believe that the impact and cost to residents, businesses, municipalities, our state government and the province of Ontario was inadequately assessed.

The fact that the plans account for only economic costs in the form of shoreline protection, while disregarding the enormous potential for private and public property damage, is particularly disturbing! The Towns of Sodus and the Village of Sodus Point have a substantial combined property value which has been completely disregarded by the Study Board.

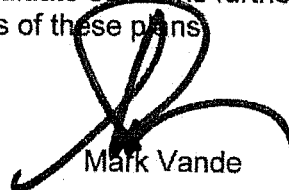
For the above stated reasons, we ask that the International Joint Commission not act upon the recommendations of the Lake Ontario-St. Lawrence River Study Board.

We are sure that the extension of time to evaluate concerns further will cause reconsideration of the many negative factors of these plans



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