

The Secretary, Canadian Section
International Joint Commission

Ottawa, Ontario

Rockport, Ontario

Dear Sir/ Madam:

Re: Your "Plan 2007"

May31, 2008

I write as a resident of the St. Lawrence River shore at Rockport, Ontario to register my deep disapproval of the IJC's proposed "Plan 2007".

The credibility gap between your PR messaging on your website (*Who we are: "The Ecosystem Approach"*) and your development and launch of Plan 2007 is embarrassing.

Your inclination to give away the environmental benefits of improved conservation of marine and wetland habitats at the behest of Seaway shipping interests is obvious and misguided. While this failing sector continues to take advantage of the public purse, its leaders fantasize that expanded season lengths and available drafts on the St. Lawrence might resurrect lost tonnage. Cargo volumes and revenues continue their steady decline and there is no reasonable expectation that this will change given market realities.

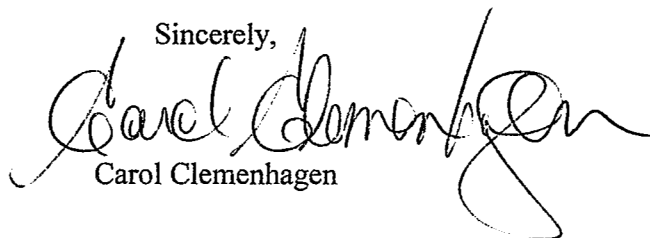
The public expects and deserves evidence-based (science-based) policy development for the long term protection of the St. Lawrence River eco-system. Further ecological losses are not acceptable.

My **recommendations** to the IJC are as follows:

1. Adopt Plan B+;
2. Conduct a review after 2 years to implement a modified regulation plan if the Commission determines that measures to mitigate the additional risk to all interests are in place;
3. Start living up to your website note about the "ecological" context of your mandate and decision-making.

Thank you for attention.

Sincerely,



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