

INTERNATIONAL JOINT COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF EMERGENCY REGULATION OF THE LEVEL OF RAINY LAKE AND OF OTHER BOUNDARY WATERS IN THE RAINY LAKE WATERSHED

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SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER

20 October 1976

to the Order Prescribing Method of Regulating the Levels of Boundary Waters, dated 8 June 1949, as amended by Supplementary Orders dated 1 October 1957 and 29 July 1970.

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The Commission has been informed by the Ontario-Minnesota Pulp and Paper Company Limited and the International Rainy Lake Board of Control that operational difficulties have arisen at the Company's plant at Fort Frances, Ontario, due to the failure of a 10,000 KVA transformer in a tie line connection to Ontario Hydro.

Outflows from Rainy Lake in excess of those set forth in the Commission's Order Prescribing Method of Regulating the Levels of Boundary Waters, dated June 8, 1949, as amended, would assist the Company in overcoming these difficulties.

The critical water supply conditions in the Rainy Lake watershed require that the minimum possible outflow from Rainy Lake be maintained. Nevertheless the Commission believes that limited temporary assistance is desirable while arrangements are being made by the Company to deal with the operational difficulties noted above.

THE COMMISSION THEREFORE ORDERS AND DIRECTS that, notwithstanding the terms of the above noted Order, as amended, the outflow from Rainy Lake may be regulated so that the maximum daily average discharge during the period October 13 through October 31, 1976, inclusive, does not exceed 4,900 cfs; provided that the instantaneous minimum flow shall not be less than that specified in the above noted Order, as amended. If the operational difficulties are overcome before October 31, 1976, outflows from Rainy Lake shall revert to those prescribed in the above noted Order, as amended.

Dated this 20th day of October, 1976

By the Commission

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Secretary