INTERNATIONAL JOINT COMMISSION
COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE CALL
Friday, February 10th, 2012
12:00 PM EST

The International Joint Commission met by conference call on February 10th, 2012, chaired by Joe Comuzzi.

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AGENDA

1. Commissioners approved the agenda.

MINUTES

2. Commissioners approved the minutes of the December 9th, 2011 and December 16th Commissioners’ Conference call. Approval of the Minutes of the December 12-14, 2011 Executive Meeting was deferred to the Executive Meeting of February 13 - 15, when the wording of item 13 of the Minutes: Pipeline Oil Spill Report will be further discussed. A copy of the Advisers’ Briefing Note for the December 12-14th, 2011 Executive Meeting on this item will be forwarded to Commissioners.

APPOINTMENTS

3. A. Council of Great Lakes Research Managers
   Commissioners approved the reappointment of Dr. Harvey Shear to be a Canadian Member of the Council of Great Lakes Research Managers for a three year term effective February 10, 2012, to February 9, 2015.

   B. Health Professionals Advisory Board
   Commissioners approved the appointment of Dr. Howard Shapiro to be a Canadian Member of the Health Professionals Advisory Board for a two year term effective February 10, 2012, to February 9, 2014.

   C. Commissioners requested that the CVs of all appointments and re-appointments be included with Briefing Notes for future appointments.

BRING FORWARD

4. U.S. Legal Advisers agreed to share with Canadian Legal Advisor, comments received from Government on the draft Guidelines for Applications. Canadian Government comments on this document are outstanding.

ACTION ITEM LIST

5. Commissioners requested addition of an Action Item pertaining to the petroleum refinery report. It was also requested that a consistent approach be used with respect to the “date action completed” section of the table (e.g. reflect if item is to be discussed at upcoming meetings) and that the status information be date referenced. A revised IJC Action item is to be distributed at the February 13-15th, 2012 Executive Meeting.
DECISIONS TAKEN VIA POLLING

2012-2015 Great Lakes Priority Cycle
On January 25, 2012, Commissioners approved a letter to the Co-Chairs of the Water Quality Board, Science Advisory Board, Council of Great Lakes Research Manager, International Air Quality Advisory Board, and the Health Professionals Advisory Board requesting that the Boards review the Commissioners’ decisions on Key Priority Themes for the 2012-2015 cycle and provide the Commission with work plans for project proposals to be done under the themes.

Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement
On January 20, 2012, Commissioners approved having the Ottawa section engage Dr. Jim Bruce as a short term adviser to assist in assessing the implications for the Commission of a new Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement.

International Missisquoi Bay Study
On January 20, 2012, Commissioners approved release online of the contractor’s report on the Short Term Monitoring Program under the International Missisquoi Bay Study.

International Red River Board
On January 13, 2012, Commissioners approved the appointments of Megan Estep and James Ziegler to be U.S. members of the International Red River Board for terms effective January 13, 2012, to January 12, 2015.

Great Lakes Water Quality Board

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