

INTERNATIONAL JOINT COMMISSION

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

SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER

4 May 1977

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, 20 October 1976, and 19 November 1976.

The Commission was informed on April 29, 1977, by the International Rainy  
Lake Board of Control that, based on present water supply trends, Rainy and  
Namakan Lakes are expected to be outside the rule curves and subject to a  
continuance of minimum outflows prescribed in the Commission's 1970 Supplementary  
Order. The Board further advised that it is likely it will be some months before  
lake levels would again be inside the operating band.

On the basis of the assessment, the Board recommended reducing the outflows  
to 2500 cfs from Rainy Lake and to 500 cfs from Namakan Lake from May 1 to June 15  
in order to conserve water under prevalent critical drought conditions. It took  
note of the advice of the International Rainy River Water Pollution Board that a  
minimum of 2,500 cfs would be acceptable under present water supply conditions.

The Board further understood that the Canadian Lake of the Woods Control  
Board would consider a compatible action of reducing outflow from Lake of the  
Woods in order to retain as much water as possible within Lake of the Woods Basin.

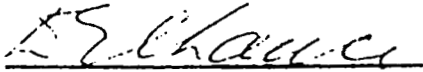
THE COMMISSION THEREFORE ORDERS AND DIRECTS that, notwithstanding the terms  
of the Commission's Order dated 8 June 1949, as amended, the outflow from Rainy  
and Namakan Lakes, respectively, for the period May 5 to June 15, 1977 shall be  
regulated so that the daily mean discharge shall be 2500 and 500 cfs respectively,  
provided that the International Rainy Lake Board of Control may direct increased  
discharges up to the minimum discharges set forth in the Commission's Order, as  
amended, if the situation so requires.

The Companies shall furnish the outflow information each day to the United States and Canadian members of the International Rainy Lake Board of Control and the Chairmen of the International Rainy River Water Pollution Board.

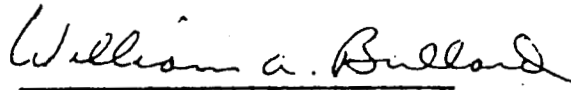
In the event that it comes to the attention of either company that these flows are causing difficulties on Lake of the Woods or the Rainy River, the Companies shall immediately advise the Commission and the International Rainy Lake Board of Control.

Dated this 5th Day of May, 1977

By the Commission



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Secretary, Canadian Section



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