

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

7 May, 1980

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.

The Commission was informed on May 5, 1980, 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 7 to August 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 also noted that the Canadian Lake of the Woods  
Control Board has reduced outflows from Lake of the Woods in order  
to retain as much water as possible within Lake of the Woods  
Basin.

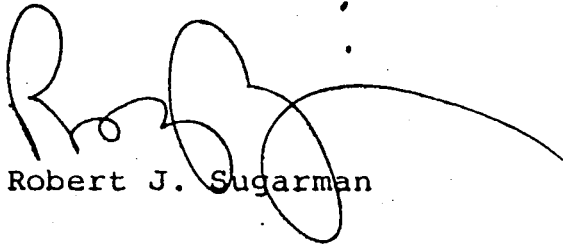
THE COMMISSION THEREFORE ORDERS AND DIRECTS THAT, notwith-  
standing the terms of the Commission's Order dated 8 June 1949,  
as amended, the outflows from Rainy and Namakan Lakes shall be  
regulated so that the daily mean discharges shall be 2500 and 500 cfs  
respectively, provided that either or both discharges shall be  
increased temporarily if so directed by the International Rainy  
Lake Board of Control to prevent the dissolved oxygen level in the  
Rainy River from falling below 4 milligrams per liter or in  
response to improved supply conditions.

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.

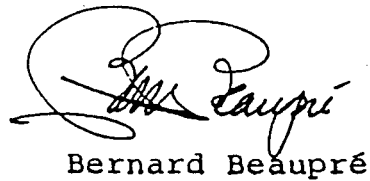
In the event that it comes to the attention of the  
International Rainy River Water Pollution Board or either Company  
that these flows are causing difficulties on Lake of the Woods or the  
Rainy River, they shall immediately advise the Commission and  
the International Rainy Lake Board of Control.

Unless otherwise ordered by the Commission, this Supplementary Order shall continue in force until August 15, 1980.

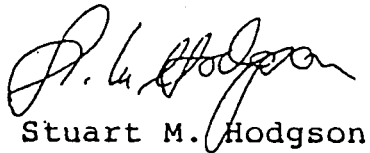
Signed this 7th Day of May 1980.



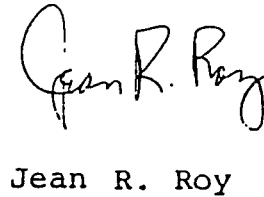
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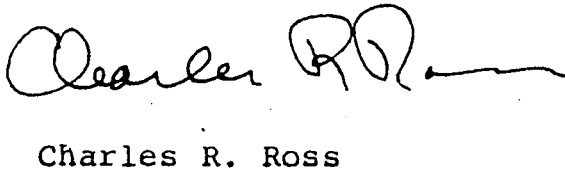
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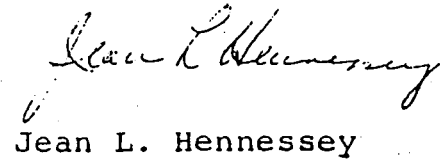
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