- 3. Within 1 month of the establishment of the Work Groups, they shall submit to the United States/Canada Coordinating Committee a work plan to accomplish the specific tasks outlined below. Additionally, each Work Group shall submit an interim report by January 15, 1981.
- 4. During the course of negotiations, and under the general direction and policy of the Coordinating Committee, the Work Groups shall assist the Coordinating Committee as required.
- 5. Nothing in the foregoing shall preclude subsequent alterations of the tasks of the Work Groups or the establishment of additional Work Groups, as may be agreed upon by the Governments.

## Specific Terms of Reference: Impact Assessment Work Group

The Group will provide information on the current and projected impacts of air pollutants on sensitive receptor areas, and prepare proposals for the 'Research, Modelling and Monitoring' elements of an agreement.

In carrying out this work, the Group will do the following.

- 1. Identify and assess physical and biological consequences possibly related to transboundary air pollution.
- 2. Determine the present status of physical and biological indicators which characterize the ecological stablity of each sensitive area identified.
- 3. Review available data bases to establish historic adverse environmental impacts more accurately.
- 4. Determine the current adverse environmental impact within identified sensitive areas (e.g., annual, seasonal, episodic).
- 5. Determine the release of residues potentially related to transboundary air pollution, including possible episodic release from snowpack melt in sensitive areas.
- 6. Assess the years remaining before significant ecological changes are sustained within identified sensitive areas.
- 7. Propose reductions in the air pollutant deposition rates (e.g., annual, seasonal, episodic) which would be necessary to protect identified sensitive areas.