The Canadian Minister in Washington to the United States Secretary of State October 14, 1940.

No. 316. ADMINISTRATE TRANSPORT OF DISTALLES

BETWEEN CANADA AND THE DISTED STATES OF AMERICANS

I have the honour to refer to your note of October 14, in which you proposed § that the Governments of Canada and the United States take immediate steps va looking to the early development of certain portions of the Great Lakes-St. let Lawrence Basin project.

I am instructed to inform you that the Canadian Government is in accord 0 with the proposals which you have made.

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se necessity for increased supplies of power in consequence of Canada's war The Canadian Minister in Washington to the United States Secretary of State

the possibility of a power shortage; these apprehensions have been heightened

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Sin: Lawrence River, in order that the entire project may :m?

I have the honour to refer to the third paragraph of your note of October 14, concerning the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Basin project, in which you state that to assist in providing an adequate supply of power to meet Canadian defence needs and contingent upon the Province of Ontario's agreeing to provide immediately for diversions into the Great Lakes System of waters from the Albany River Basin which normally flow into Hudson Bay, the Government of the United States would interpose no objection, pending the conclusion of a final Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Basin Agreement between the two countries, to the immediate utilization for power at Niagara Falls by the Province of Ontario of additional waters equivalent in quantity to the diversions into the Great Lakes Basin above referred to.

I am instructed to inform you that the Canadian Government has received appropriate assurances that the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario is prepared to proceed immediately with the Long Lac-Ogoki diversions and that this action has been approved by the Government of the Province.

The Canadian Government is therefore giving appropriate instructions to authorize the additional diversion of 5,000 cubic feet per second at Niagara by the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario.

I have, etc.

LORING C. CHRISTIE.