

- (c) tendering advice and recommendations to the Parties on the following:
  - (i) the social, economic and environmental aspects of current and emerging issues related to the quality of the Waters of the Great Lakes, including specific recommendations concerning the revision of the General Objectives, Lake Ecosystem Objectives and Substance Objectives, legislation, standards and other regulatory requirements, programs, and other measures, and intergovernmental agreements relating to the quality of these waters;
  - (ii) matters covered under the Annexes to this Agreement;
  - (iii) approaches and options that the Parties may consider to improve effectiveness in achieving the purpose and objectives of this Agreement; and
  - (iv) research and monitoring of the Waters of the Great Lakes, including recommendations for specific research and monitoring priorities;
- (d) providing assistance as requested by the Parties in the coordination of the Parties' joint activities;
- (e) assisting in and advising on scientific matters related to the Great Lakes Basin Ecosystem, including:
  - (i) identifying objectives for scientific activities; and
  - (ii) tendering scientific advice and recommendations to the Parties and to State and Provincial Governments, Tribal Governments, First Nations, Métis, Municipal Governments, watershed management agencies, other local public agencies, and the Public;