

- (h) *Contingency Plan.* Maintenance of a joint contingency plan for use in the event of a discharge or the imminent threat of a discharge of oil or hazardous polluting substances, in accordance with the provisions of Annex 8.
- (i) *Hazardous Polluting Substances.* Consultation within one year from the date of entry into force of this Agreement for the purpose of developing an Annex identifying hazardous polluting substances; the Parties shall further consult from time to time for the purpose of identifying harmful quantities of these substances and of reviewing the definition of "harmful quantity of oil" set forth in Annexes 3 and 7.
2. The Parties shall develop and implement such additional programs as they jointly decide are necessary and desirable for the achievement of the water quality objectives.
3. The programs and other measures provided for in this Article shall be designed to abate and control pollution of tributary waters where necessary or desirable for the achievement of the water quality objectives for the boundary waters of the Great Lakes System.

ARTICLE VI

Powers, Responsibilities and Functions of the International Joint Commission

1. The International Joint Commission shall assist in the implementation of this Agreement. Accordingly, the Commission is hereby given, pursuant to Article IX of the Boundary Waters Treaty, the following responsibilities:
- (a) Collation, analysis and dissemination of data and information supplied by the Parties and State and Provincial Governments relating to the quality of the boundary waters of the Great Lakes System and to pollution that enters the boundary waters from tributary waters;
 - (b) Collection, analysis and dissemination of data and information concerning the water quality objectives and the operation and effectiveness of the programs and other measures established pursuant to this Agreement;
 - (c) Tendering of advice and recommendations to the Parties and to the State and Provincial Governments on problems of the quality of the boundary waters of the Great Lakes System, including specific recommendations concerning the water quality objectives, legislation, standards and other regulatory requirements, programs and other measures, and intergovernmental agreements relating to the quality of these waters;
 - (d) Provision of assistance in the coordination of the joint activities envisaged by this Agreement, including such matters as contingency planning and consultation on special situations;