

### **TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A RESEARCH ADVISORY BOARD**

1. As used herein, "research" includes development, demonstration and research activities, but does not include regular monitoring and surveillance of water quality.
2. The functions and responsibilities of the Research Advisory Board relating to research activities in Canada and the United States concerning the quality of the waters of the Great Lakes System shall be as follows:
  - (a) To review at regular intervals these research activities in order to:
    - (i) examine the adequacy and reliability of research results, their dissemination, and the effectiveness of their application;
    - (ii) identify deficiencies in their scope, and inadequacies in their funding and in completion schedules;
    - (iii) identify additional research projects that should be undertaken;
    - (iv) identify specific research programs for which international cooperation will be productive;
  - (b) To provide advice and consolidations of scientific opinion to the Commission and its boards on particular problems referred to the Advisory Board by the Commission or its boards;
  - (c) To facilitate both formal and informal international cooperation and coordination of research;
  - (d) To make recommendations to the Commission.
3. The Research Advisory Board on its own authority may seek analyses, assessments and recommendations from other professional, academic, governmental or intergovernmental groups about the problems of the Great Lakes water quality research and related research activities.
4. The International Joint Commission shall determine the size and composition of the Research Advisory Board. The Commission should appoint members to the Advisory Board from appropriate Federal, State and Provincial Government agencies and from other agencies, organizations and institutions involved in Great Lakes research activities. In making these appointments the Commission should consider individuals from the academic, scientific and industrial communities and the general public. Membership should be based primarily upon an individual's qualifications and potential contribution to the work of the Advisory Board.
5. The Research Advisory Board should work at all times in close cooperation with the Great Lakes Water Quality Board.