

to evaluate the effects of changes in existing works and other measures on various interests - riparian, navigation and power.

The Commission recommended for Lake Ontario a range of stage of 244.0 feet to 248.0 feet as nearly as may be, and this was accepted by Governments in December 1955. In its Order of Approval dated July 2, 1956 the Commission set forth that regulation of the outflows of Lake Ontario and of the flows through the International Rapids Section of the St. Lawrence River should be carried out in accordance with certain criteria, including the above range of stage. Another criterion provides that, in the event of water supplies in excess of past supplies, the regulatory works shall be operated to provide relief to riparian owners both upstream and downstream and, in the event of supplies less than those of the past, to provide relief to navigation and power interests. A plan of regulation was instituted on April 20, 1960, on the basis of recommendations of the Commission and, therefore, no further action by the two governments was recommended in the Commission's report.

The Governments of Canada and of the United States have expressed their appreciation and thanks to the Commission for the Lake Ontario Water Levels Report, which represents a great deal of intensive study and which should prove a useful reference work for many years to come for all those concerned with or affected by future developments in Lake Ontario.