

**7. Research.** Research should be intensified to determine the pathways, fate and effects of toxic substances aimed at the protection of human health, fishery resources and wildlife of the Great Lakes Basin Ecosystem. In particular, research should be conducted to determine:

- (a) The significance of effects of persistent toxic substances on human health and aquatic life;
- (b) Interactive effects of residents of toxic substances on aquatic life, wildlife, and human health; and
- (c) Approaches to calculation of acceptable loading rates for persistent toxic substances, especially those which, in part, are naturally occurring.