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## **OUELLET ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS TO** INTERNATIONAL JOINT COMMISSION

Foreign Affairs Minister André Ouellet today announced the appointment of Adèle Hurley, Pierre Béland and Calvin Francis Murphy as Commissioners of the Canadian Section of the International Joint Commission (IJC). Adèle Hurley was selected by the Commissioners to chair the Canadian Section.

Ms. Hurley has spent more than 15 years with private industry, foundations, and federal, provincial and state governments in both Canada and the United States in the areas of environmental policy making and project development. Since 1986, she has been President of a private environmental consulting practice. 1980 to 1990, she served as Executive Co-ordinator of the Canadian Coalition on Acid Rain.

Pierre Béland has acquired international acclaim and respect for his work as a research scientist, a public educator in the field of science and a public figure with respect to environmental issues. He is currently the President and Science Director of the St. Lawrence National Institute of Ecotoxicology. Since 1984, he has served as Associate Professor with the Department of Oceanography at the University of Quebec in Rimouski and, since 1991, as Associate Professor with the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Montreal.

Calvin Francis Murphy is former managing partner of and present counsel with Farris, Vaughan, Wills & Murphy, where his practice has been primarily in commercial and corporate law (including matters affected by international trade) and local government matters. He previously practised law with Messrs. Campney, Owen, Murphy & Owen for seven years.

"These appointments indicate the commitment of the Government to support and strengthen this important organization," said Mr. Ouellet.

The IJC is a binational Canada-United States organization established by the Boundary Waters Treaty of 1909. It provides the principles and mechanisms to help prevent and resolve disputes primarily about water quality along the boundary between the two countries.

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