

TO THE HONOURABLE, THE INTERNATIONAL JOINT COMMISSION.

APPLICATION MADE BY THE BUFFALO AND FORT ERIE PUBLIC BRIDGE COMPANY, (hereinafter called the Applicant) for permission to construct and operate a public highway bridge over the Niagara River between the City of Buffalo, in the State of New York, U. S. A., and the Village of Fort Erie, in the County of Welland, Province of Ontario,

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH:

The Applicant is a Corporation duly incorporated by Act of the Parliament of Canada, being Chapter 74 of 13 and 14 George V with power to construct and operate a public highway bridge from a point in the said City of Buffalo to a point in the said Village of Fort Erie.

The Governor-General in Council, upon the recommendation of the Minister of Public Works for the Dominion of Canada, has approved of the plans of said bridge as set forth by Order in Council dated First May, 1925, a true copy of which Order in Council is annexed hereto.

The said bridge is to be constructed on piers placed in the Niagara River as shown on the plans hereto annexed and which piers will in some measure be an obstruction to the flow of the water in the said River, but in view of the rapid current in the River between the City of Buffalo and the Village of Fort Erie, there is very little navigation in said River and the erection of the said bridge will in no way interfere with such navigation as there may be, but the said piers will, to a very small extent, affect the level of the water above the said bridge in Lake Erie by raising the same very little, but which raising of water will be an advantage to navigation in the Upper Lakes rather than a detriment thereto.

This Application is therefore respectfully submitted for

your consideration.

PETITION. -- The Applicant does now pray for such order, ruling or decision, authorizing the Applicant to proceed with the said works as may in the opinion of your Honourable Commission be required by "The Waterways Treaty Act", together with such provisos as may be deemed fitting in the premises.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, likely reading "H. J. & H. J. Solicitors", is written in dark ink.

Solicitors for the  
BUFFALO AND FORT ERIE PUBLIC BRIDGE COMPANY.

Welland, Ontario,

June 13th, 1925.