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Attention: Thor Hansell

Re: City of Winnipeg's Proposed Water Service Sharing Agreements

Dear Mr. Hansell.

Thank you for your letter dated February 12, 2013 in which you respond to our September 20, 2012 request for information.

We understand that through a series of administrative and legislative steps the authority and responsibilities of the Greater Winnipeg Water District has been subsumed into what is now the City of Winnipeg. Our preliminary assessment is that the City would be in non-compliance with the IJC Order should it transfer Shoal Lake water beyond the City of Winnipeg's municipal limits.

We have brought this matter the attention of the governments of the United States and Canada.

Yours truly,

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