

**RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PART II FUNDING
MARCH 30, 2001 - UPDATE**

The Commissioner has made the recommendations listed below for Part II Funding to the Government of Ontario. In cases where a response has been received in respect of his recommendation, that response is indicated as well. In future, this notice will be updated on a regular basis.

In making recommendations for funding in Part II, the Commissioner has applied the following criteria and principles. These have been accepted by the Government of Ontario.

1. Funding will be recommended only for the preparation of papers to be submitted in Part II of the Inquiry and will not include amounts for legal counsel acting for participants in the Part II hearings.
2. The papers in respect of which funding is requested must be ones which will assist the Commissioner in fulfilling his mandate in Part II of the Inquiry.
3. The party requesting funding must establish that it would not be able to participate in Part II of the Inquiry without such funding.
4. In the event that the third criterion is not met, the Commissioner may still recommend a contribution (to a maximum of \$25,000) if it can be established that such contribution will either enhance the quality of a proposed paper or the speed with which it can be delivered.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. <u>Recommendations Made November 17, 2000</u>	
(a) Canadian Environmental Defence Fund	Government Response
The Commissioner recommended funding in the amount of \$38,000 for case studies of citizen groups dealing with polluters and authorities, the availability and quality of public information on drinking water in Ontario (as opposed to the U.S.) and the capacity and effort involved with the enforcement of drinking water regulations in Ontario as compared with other Canadian jurisdictions.	Accepted – December 13, 2000

(b) The Canadian Environmental Law Association	Government Response
The Commissioner recommended funding in the amount of \$27,804 for a study on a possible “Safe Water Drinking Act” for Ontario.	Accepted – December 13, 2000
(c) Pollution Probe	Government Response
The Commissioner recommended funding in the amount of \$35,000 for studies relating to the management and financing of drinking water systems.	Accepted – December 13, 2000
(d) Maureen Reilly	Government Response
The Commissioner recommended funding in the amount of \$20,000 for a study of the land application of waste residues (bio solids) in Ontario.	Accepted – December 13, 2000
2. <u>Recommendations made December 5, 2000</u>	
(a) Conservation Ontario	Government Response
The Commissioner recommended a contribution in the amount of \$25,000 for a study regarding a watershed management approach to safe drinking water.	Accepted – December 22, 2000
(b) The Ontario Medical Association	Government Response
The Commissioner recommended a contribution in the amount of \$15,000 to assist in hiring a contract researcher in order to assist with the preparation of the functioning of the Provincial Public Health System as it affects drinking water.	Accepted – December 22, 2000
3. <u>Recommendations made on December 20, 2000</u>	
(a) Energy Probe Research Foundation	Government Response
The Commissioner recommended funding in the amount of \$31,800 for two papers, one on privatization of water utilities and the other on improvements to regulatory processes.	Accepted – January 8, 2001

(b) The Ontario Waterworks Association/Ontario Municipal Waterworks Association	Government Response
The Commissioner recommended a contribution in the amount of \$15,000 for two papers, one on training and accreditation and one on management and organizational behaviour.	Accepted – January 8, 2001
4. <u>Recommendations made on January 5, 2001</u>	
(a) Chiefs of Ontario	Government Response
The Commissioner recommended a contribution in the amount of \$32,000 for a paper regarding water supply and water quality on Ontario First Nations reserves.	Accepted – January 19, 2001
(b) Ontario Public Service Employees Union	Government Response
The Commissioner recommended a contribution in the amount of \$25,000 for a study of front-line workers’ views and perspectives on improvements needed to ensure that the MOE can meet its mandate of ensuring safe drinking water.	Accepted – January 19, 2001
(c) The Association of Municipalities of Ontario	Government Response
The Commissioner recommended a contribution in the amount of \$25,000 for a paper entitled “Understanding Municipal Finance, Water and Sewer Finance and Full Cost Accounting”.	Accepted – January 19, 2001
5. <u>Recommendations made on January 9, 2001</u>	
(a) CELA, CUPE and OPSEU	Government Response

<p>The Commissioner recommended funding in the amounts of \$37,000 to a coalition made up of the Canadian Environmental Law Association (“CELA”), the Canadian Union of Public Employees (“CUPE”) and the Ontario Public Service Employees Union (“OPSEU”) for a paper entitled: “Keeping Ontario Water in Public Hands: Reform to Restore Public Control and Confidence in our Water System”. In making this recommendation, the Commissioner noted the substantial financial contribution which has and will be made directly by these parties.</p>	<p>Accepted – March 29, 2001</p>
<p>6. <u>Recommendations made on January 18, 2001</u></p>	
<p>(a) Sierra Legal Defence Fund</p>	<p>Government Response</p>
<p>The Commissioner recommended funding in the amount of \$20,000 to the Sierra Legal Defence Fund for a paper on the regulatory approaches to drinking water used in Canada and, selectively, abroad.</p>	<p>Accepted – March 29, 2001</p>
<p>(b) ALPHA</p>	<p>Government Response</p>
<p>The Commissioner recommends funding in the amount of \$19,000 to the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (“ALPHA”) to prepare a paper on current and best practices in eliminating human health hazards from drinking water. ALPHA will be assisted in this project by the Ontario Public Health Association, the Association of Supervisors of Public Health Inspectors of Ontario and the Ontario Branch of the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors.</p>	<p>Accepted – March 29, 2001</p>
<p>7. <u>Recommendations made on February 28, 2001</u></p>	
<p>(a) Ontario Federation of Agriculture (“OFA”)/ Ontario Farm Environmental Coalition (“OFEC”)</p>	<p>Government’s Response</p>

<p>The Commissioner recommends funding for two papers to be prepared by OFA/OFEC. The Commissioner recommends funding: (1) in the amount of \$19,050 for a paper on the history of environmental initiatives by farmers over the last twenty years, including a look forward to what they feel is necessary for the future; and (2) in the amount of \$12,000 for a paper examining well-head protection areas as a means of protecting drinking water.</p>	
<p>8. <u>Recommendations made on March 15, 2001</u></p>	
<p>(a) The Ontario Metis Aboriginal Association (“OMAA”)</p>	<p>Government Response</p>
<p>The Commissioner granted standing to the OMAA and recommended a contribution of \$20,000 to assist in the preparation of a submission on the quality of water to Metis and off-reserve Indians in Ontario.</p>	<p>Accepted – March 29, 2001</p>
<p>(b) Energy Probe Research Foundation</p>	<p>Government Response</p>
<p>The Commissioner recommended a contribution of \$10,000 to assist in preparing a variety of written submissions in Part II.</p>	<p>Accepted – March 29, 2001</p>