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Mr. Murray Clamen Secretary, Canadian Section International Joint Commission 234 Laurier Avenue West, 22 Floor Ottawa, ON K1P 6K6

Dear Mr. Clamen:

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This is further to the recent letter from the Right Honourable Herb Gray, Chair, Canadian Section, International Joint Commission, to provide comments on the 2004 Progress Report of the Governments' Air Quality Committee under the Canada-United States Air Quality Agreement.

Alberta Environment has had an opportunity to provide input through its representatives on the Canada-United States Air Quality Committee, the Subcommittee on Program Monitoring and Reporting, and the Subcommittee on Scientific Cooperation. The department participated with other government representatives in the preparation of the 2004 Progress Report.

Alberta remains committed to the Canada-wide Acid Rain Strategy for Post-2000 and the Canada-wide Standards for Particulate Matter and Ozone. We continue to ensure that Alberta's clean air remains clean through minimization of emissions from human activities. Thank you for the opportunity to assist in preparing the report. I look forward to receiving the summary of public comments.

Sincerely,

C. Peter Watson, P.Eng. Acting Deputy Minister