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The Right Honourable Herb Gray  
Chair, Canadian Section  
International Joint Commission  
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Dear Mr. Gray:

Thank you for your letter of December 13, 2004, with the attached 2004 Progress Report of the governments' Air Quality Committee under the Canada-United States Air Quality Agreement. We are happy to see that Ontario's progress in reducing smog is being recognized by the International Joint Commission.

My staff have reviewed the 2004 Progress Report and have observed that the data for NOx emissions from Ontario electrical generating stations may reflect preliminary information.

We have brought these data to the attention of the Ministry of the Environment.

Thank you for this opportunity to review the 2004 Progress Report. We look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

James Gillis  
Deputy Minister

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