WHEREAS, on December 13, 2005, the Governors of the States of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Ohio and Wisconsin, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the Premiers of Ontario and Québec signed the Great Lakes—St. Lawrence River Basin Sustainable Water Resources Agreement ("Agreement"); and,

WHEREAS, Chapter 1 and Chapter 4 of the Agreement came into force on December 13, 2005, pursuant to Article 709 paragraphs 1b and 1h of the Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, Article 400 paragraph 1 of the Agreement created a Great Lakes—St. Lawrence River Water Resources Regional Body ("Regional Body") composed of the Governors and Premiers of the Parties, ex officio; and,

WHEREAS, Article 103 defines the term “Party” to mean a State or Province that entered into the Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, Article 401 paragraph 6 of the Agreement states that “Each Party shall bear an equitable share of the costs of the Regional Body to a maximum amount per annum that is agreed upon each year by the Parties.”; and,

WHEREAS, Article 401 paragraph 7 of the Agreement states in part that “The Parties shall support the Regional Body using existing agency staff and facilities to the greatest extent possible...”; and,

WHEREAS, the Regional Body recognizes that there are collective costs incurred in the normal and ongoing operation of the Regional Body.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Regional Body adopts and approves the Regional Body Fiscal Year 2014 (July 1, 2013-June 30, 2014) budget (Attachment “A”) for the normal ongoing operation and activities of the Regional Body.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the budgeted revenue of $149,966.30 is hereby apportioned to each of the Great Lakes States and Provinces in the amount of $14,996.63, for Fiscal Year 2014.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that to the extent that revenue received during fiscal year 2014 under any Federal, State or Provincial grant-in-aid program exceeds the revenue included in this budget, any such excess is hereby appropriated for the same uses and additional programs to which the excess is related.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Secretary is authorized and directed to transmit certified copies of the proposed budget to each Regional Body Member and other individual(s) designated by the Regional Body Members.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Regional Body Fiscal Year 2014 budget, as approved pursuant to this resolution, may be amended to support any and all additional costs for the operation and activities of the Regional Body arising from the Regional Body’s other activities, including but not limited to Regional Review of proposals subject to Regional Review, upon unanimous written consent of the Regional Body members.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Parties shall each bear their own costs of using their existing agency staff and facilities that are used in support of Regional Body activities.

*Adopted by the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Water Resources Regional Body on June 7, 2012*
DRAFT FY 2014 BUDGET--REGIONAL BODY

Revenue
State and Provincial Apportionment $149,966.30
Total $149,966.30

Expenses
Personnel $82,250.00
Attorney Retainer $15,000.00
Insurance $5,443.79
Meetings and Conference Calls $26,900.00
Technical Database Management $4,000.00
Indirect Overhead $16,372.50
Total $149,966.29