

**GREAT LAKES—ST. LAWRENCE RIVER WATER RESOURCES REGIONAL  
BODY**

**RESOLUTION #9—PROCEDURES COMMITTEE**

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 4 of the Agreement came into force on December 13, 2005, pursuant to Article 709 paragraph 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 of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin, and the Premiers of Ontario and Québec, ex officio; and,

WHEREAS, Article 400 paragraph 2 .i. of the Agreement states in part that the Regional Body shall undertake the duty to “[d]evelop guidance for the implementation of the Standard and the Exception Standard, and in particular the review of a Proposal [and] the preparation of an Application....”

WHEREAS, Article 401 paragraph 1 of the Agreement states that “The Regional Body may establish its own administrative practices and procedures.”

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Regional Body hereby establishes a Procedures Committee, which shall be charged with developing and recommending Procedures for the Regional Body to adopt to implement Regional Review under the Agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Procedures Committee shall have advisory powers only.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Procedures Committee shall consist of no more than 10 members, and that each Member of the Regional Body may appoint one member to the Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chair of the Regional Body shall appoint the Chair of the Procedures Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chair of the Procedures Committee may, at his or her discretion, invite other individuals to participate in the meetings of the Procedures Committee, but only as a non-voting participant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Procedures Committee may consult with individuals who are not members of the Committee as it develops recommendations for the Regional Body's consideration.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Procedures Committee may consult with and meet concurrently with any similar Committee created by the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Council.

***Adopted by the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Water Resources Regional Body on December 8, 2008***