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Dear GLEC Co-Chairs:

Re: Transport of Highly Radioactive Liquid Waste over waterways in the Great Lakes Basin

The accompanying letter, addressed to Prime Minister Trudeau and President Obama, is directly related to the role and mandate of the Great Lakes Executive Committee under the terms of the 2012 Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement. The letter has been endorsed by two dozen non-governmental organizations on both sides of the border.

We expect that GLEC will request the governments of Canada and the United States of America to refrain from beginning the series of shipments of highly radioactive liquid waste material from Chalk River, Ontario, to the U.S. Department of Energy’s Savannah River Site in South Carolina, until proper notification has been circulated to stakeholders and the GLEC has had a chance to formulate advice to the two governments on this proposed transport of nuclear waste, in keeping with its mandate.

We look forward to receiving your response within 30 days.

Yours very truly, on behalf of 26 additional non-governmental organizations,

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