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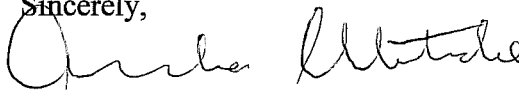
Mr. Frank Bevacqua,

I am writing to you to express my opinion regarding plan B+ that has been proposed for the St. Lawrence Seaway in New York State. Having spent a great deal of my life around the St. Lawrence River, the region is of great importance to me, as it is to many other people in New York State and beyond. This being said, it is of great importance to preserve the region's diverse habitats and wildlife not only for nature's sake, but for people's sake too.

I support plan B+ and believe it would provide for an array of benefits. Plan B+ will provide for natural water level management which will benefit fish and wildlife, ship navigation, and clean hydropower production. It is our duty to do all that we can to leave this world a better place than we found it. As I'm sure you well know, this opportunity only comes around every 50 years. We need to take action now and implement Plan B+ and give these fragile systems the protection they deserve.

The St. Lawrence and Lake Ontario ecosystems have endured the stress of unsound management practices for far too long, and it is time for a change. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,



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