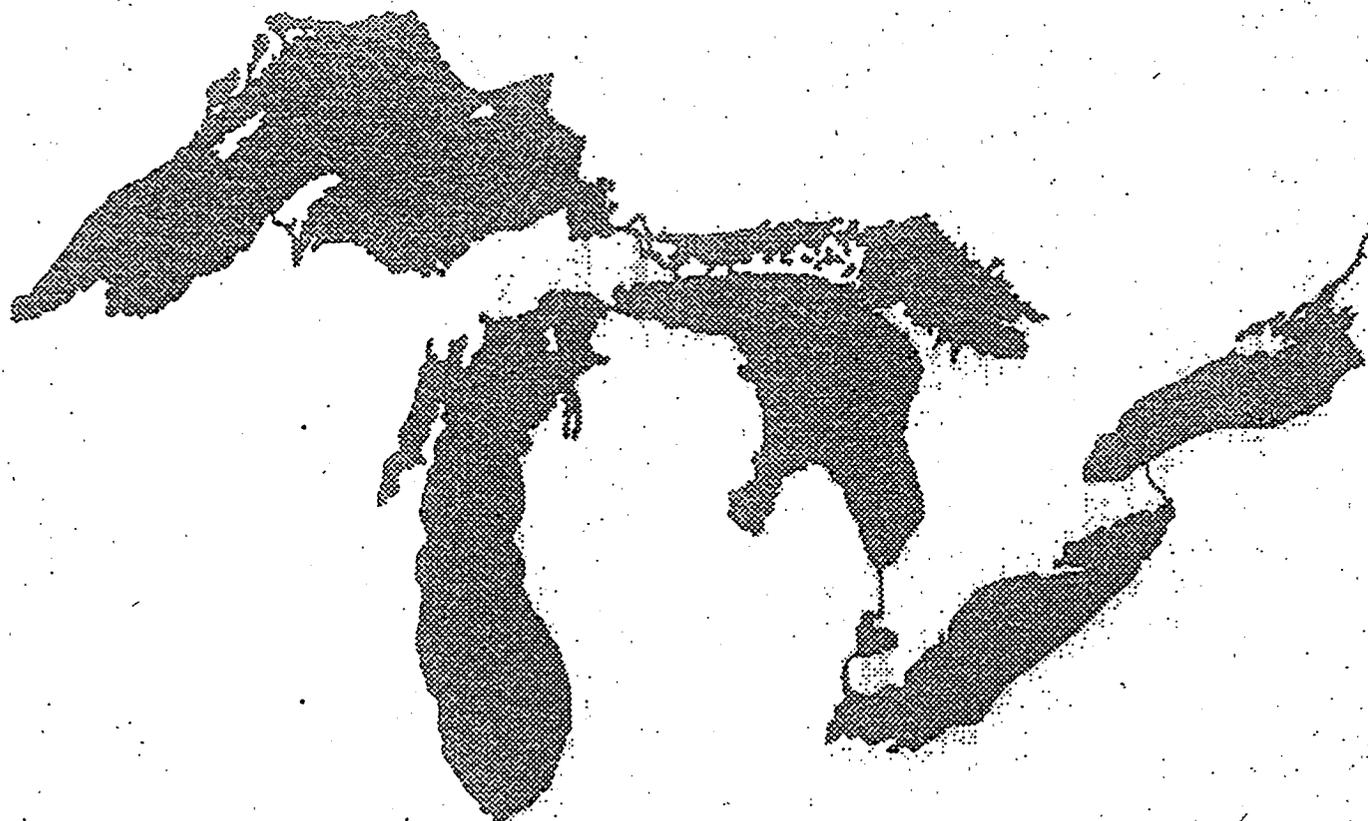




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INTRODUCTION

The GLI aquatic life criteria contained herein were derived using the procedures described in Appendix A to Part 132: Great Lakes Water Quality Initiative Methodologies for Development of Aquatic Life Criteria and Values. It will be necessary to understand these procedures in order to understand the derivations presented herein.

In the derivation of the GLI aquatic life criteria, new data that were considered to be of acceptable quality were used along with the data in the criteria documents published by the U.S. EPA.

"New data" are data that became available since the last literature search used in the preparation of the criteria documents by U.S. EPA and prior to January 1993. Some errors in the U.S. EPA criteria documents were corrected and the new taxonomy for salmonids was used; some SMAVs and GMAVs are different from those in the U.S. EPA criteria documents due to the preference for results of "FT,M" tests. Although some new data could have been used to revise the slopes relating acute and/or chronic toxicity to hardness or pH, it was decided that revision was not necessary at this time. Thus all of the slopes used herein are the same as those used in the criteria documents published by U.S. EPA.

Four digits are given in the concentrations in criteria because these are intermediate values in the derivation of permit limits.

The GLI methodology specifies Minimum Data Requirements (MDRs) for chronic data and also describes how the available chronic data should be used. ACRs determined with saltwater species can be used if the Minimum Data Requirements are not satisfied by ACRs determined with freshwater species. Because the FAV is derived to represent acutely sensitive species, the FACR should be derived to be appropriate for sensitive species if the ACRs for the chemical appear to increase or decrease as the acute sensitivity of the species increases.

The following acronyms are used in this document:

ACR	=	Acute-Chronic Ratio
CCC	=	Criterion Continuous Concentration
CMC	=	Criterion Maximum Concentration
FAV	=	Final Acute Value
FCV	=	Final Chronic Value
GLI	=	Great Lakes Initiative
GMAV	=	Genus Mean Acute Value
GMCV	=	Genus Mean Chronic Value
FACR	=	Final Acute-Chronic Ratio
SMACR	=	Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio
SMAV	=	Species Mean Acute Value
SMCV	=	Species Mean Chronic Value

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Tier 1 Aquatic Life Criterion for Arsenic(III)

The new acceptable acute and chronic data for arsenic(III) are given in Tables A1 and A2. These new data were used with those given in Tables 1 and 2 of the criteria document for arsenic (U.S. EPA 1985) to obtain the values given in Table A3..

Criterion Maximum Concentration (CMC)

The Final Acute Value (FAV) was calculated using the four lowest Genus Mean Acute Values given in Table A3, resulting in a FAV of 679.6 ug/L. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CMC was calculated by dividing the FAV by 2, resulting in a CMC of 339.8 ug/L, as total recoverable arsenic(III).

Criterion Continuous Concentration (CCC)

Insufficient chronic toxicity data were available to calculate a Final Chronic Value (FCV) using the eight-family procedure. Sufficient chronic data were available to calculate a FCV by dividing the FAV by the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio (FACR). The new chronic test gave an ACR of 3.784; the geometric mean of this value and the ACR in U.S. EPA (1985) for the same species was 4.199. This and the two other Species Mean ACRs in U.S. EPA (1985) are given in Table A3; the three ACRs were within a factor of 1.2. The FACR was calculated as the geometric mean of the three ACRs and was 4.594. The $FCV = FAV/FACR = (679.6 \text{ ug/L}) / (4.594) = 147.9 \text{ ug/L}$. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CCC was 147.9 ug/L, as total recoverable arsenic(III).

The Criterion

The procedures described in the GLI Tier 1 methodology indicate that, except possibly where a locally important species is very sensitive, aquatic organisms should not be affected unacceptably if the four-day average concentration of arsenic(III) does not exceed 147.9 ug/L more than once every three years on the average and if the one-hour average concentration does not exceed 339.8 ug/L more than once every three years on the average.

Table A1. New Acute Values for Arsenic(III)

Species	Method*	Chemical	Test Duration (hrs)	Acute Value (ug/L)	Reference
Fathead minnow, Pimephales promelas	FT,M	Sodium arsenite	96	12,600	Spehar and Fiandt 1986
Cladoceran, Daphnia magna	S,U	Sodium arsenite	48	4,501	Elnabarawy et al. 1986
Cladoceran, Daphnia pulex	S,U	Sodium arsenite	48	2,366	Elnabarawy et al. 1986
Cladoceran, Ceriodaphnia reticulata	S,U	Sodium arsenite	48	1,269	Elnabarawy et al. 1986

* FT = flow-through, M = measured, S = static, U = unmeasured.

Table A2. New Chronic Values for Arsenic(III)

Species	Method*	Acute Value (ug/L)	Chronic Value (ug/L)	Acute-Chronic Ratio	Reference
Fathead minnow, Pimephales promelas	ELS	12,600	3,330	3.784	Spehar and Fiandt 1986

* ELS = early life stage.

Table A3. Ranked Genus Mean Acute Values for Arsenic(III)

Rank*	Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L)	Species	Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L)	Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio
14	97,000	Midge, Tanytarsus dissimilis	97,000	-----
13	41,760	Bluegill, Lepomis macrochirus	41,760	-----
12	26,040	Goldfish, Carassius auratus	26,040	-----
11	24,500	Snail, Aplexa hypnorum	24,500	-----
10	22,040	Stonefly, Pteronarcys californica	22,040	-----
9	20,130	Flagfish, Jordanella floridae	20,130	4.862
8	18,100	Channel catfish Ictalurus punctatus	18,100	-----
7	14,960	Brook trout, Salvelinus fontinalis	14,960	-----
6	14,065	Fathead minnow, Pimephales promelas	14,065	4.199
5	13,340	Rainbow trout, Oncorhynchus mykiss	13,340	-----
4	2,690	Cladoceran, Daphnia magna	4,449	4.748
		Cladoceran, Daphnia pulex	1,626	-----
3	1,511	Cladoceran, Ceriodaphnia reticulata	1,511	-----
2	1,175	Cladoceran, Simocephalus serrulatus	812	-----
		Cladoceran, Simocephalus vetulus	1,700	-----
1	874	Amphipod, Gammarus pseudolimnaeus	874	-----

* Ranked from most resistant to most sensitive based on Genus Mean Acute Value.

$$\text{FAV} = 679.6 \text{ ug/L}$$

$$\text{CMC} = \text{FAV}/2 = 339.8 \text{ ug/L}$$

$$\text{FACR} = 4.594$$

$$\text{FCV} = \text{FAV}/\text{FACR} = (679.6 \text{ ug/L})/(4.594) = 147.9 \text{ ug/L} = \text{CCC}$$

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Tier 1 Aquatic Life Criterion for Cadmium

The new acceptable acute and chronic data for cadmium are given in Tables B1 and B2. These new data were used with those given in Tables 1 and 2 of the criteria document for cadmium (U.S. EPA 1985) to obtain the values given in Tables B3 and B4. Because the toxicity of cadmium is hardness-dependent, all acute and chronic values in Tables B3 and B4 have been adjusted to a hardness of 50 mg/L.

Criterion Maximum Concentration (CMC)

The SMAVs given in Table B3 for the green sunfish, bluegill, coho salmon, and rainbow trout were derived from U.S. EPA (1985) by giving preference to results of "FT,M" tests. Several SMAVs given in U.S. EPA (1985) were changed or eliminated due to deletion of tests that were conducted in river water by Spehar and Carlson (1984a,b).

The Final Acute Value (FAV) was calculated using the four lowest Genus Mean Acute Values in Table B3, resulting in an FAV of 4.134 ug/L at a hardness of 50 mg/L. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CMC was calculated by dividing the FAV by 2, resulting in a CMC of 2.067 ug/L, as total recoverable cadmium, at a hardness of 50 mg/L. The CMC was related to hardness using the slope of 1.128 that was derived in U.S. EPA (1985):

$$\text{CMC} = e^{1.128 (\ln \text{hardness}) - 3.6867}$$

Criterion Continuous Concentration (CCC)

Two chronic values given in U.S. EPA (1985) were not used here because the tests were conducted in river water by Spehar and Carlson (1984a,b). The chronic value given in U.S. EPA (1985) for *Moina macrocopa* was not used here because the concentrations of cadmium were not measured.

Chronic toxicity tests have been conducted on cadmium with a wide variety of aquatic species and the resulting ACRs have a wide range, even within sensitive species (U.S. EPA 1985). Therefore, the Final Chronic Value (FCV) was calculated using the eight-family procedure that was used to calculate the FAV and was used to calculate the FCV for cadmium in U.S. EPA (1985). As in U.S. EPA (1985), the FCV was calculated using the value of n used in

the calculation of the FAV (i.e., n = 43). The FCV was 1.4286 ug/L at a hardness of 50 mg/L. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. Thus the CCC was 1.4286 ug/L, as total recoverable cadmium, at a hardness of 50 mg/L. The CCC was related to hardness using the slope of 0.7852 that was derived in U.S. EPA (1985):

$$CCC = e^{0.7852 (\ln \text{ hardness}) - 2.715}$$

The Criterion

The procedures described in the GLI Tier 1 methodology indicate that, except possibly where a locally important species is very sensitive, aquatic organisms should not be affected unacceptably if the four-day average concentration of cadmium does not exceed the numerical value (in ug/L) given by the equation

$$CCC = e^{0.7852 (\ln \text{ hardness}) - 2.715}$$

more than once every three years on the average and if the one-hour average concentration does not exceed the numerical value (in ug/L) given by the equation

$$CMC = e^{1.128 (\ln \text{ hardness}) - 3.6867}$$

more than once every three years on the average.

Table B1. New Acute Values for Cadmium

Species	Method*	Hardness (mg/L as CaCO ₃)	Acute Value (ug/L)	Adjusted Acute Value (ug/L)**	Reference
Cladoceran, <i>Ceriodaphnia reticulata</i>	S,U	240	184	31.36	Elnabarawy et al. 1986
Cladoceran, <i>Daphnia pulex</i>	S,U	120	70	26.07	Hall et al. 1986
Cladoceran, <i>Daphnia pulex</i>	S,U	200	50	10.47	Hall et al. 1986
Cladoceran, <i>Daphnia pulex</i>	S,U	200	100	20.94	Hall et al. 1986
Cladoceran, <i>Daphnia pulex</i>	S,U	240	319	54.37	Elnabarawy et al. 1986
Cladoceran, <i>Daphnia magna</i>	S,U	240	178	30.3	Elnabarawy et al. 1986
Amphipod, <i>Crangonyx pseudogracilis</i>	S,U	50	1700	1700	Martin and Holdich 1986
Crayfish, <i>Orconectes virilis</i>	S,U	26	6100	12755	Mirenda 1986
Rainbow trout, <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	FT,M	9.2	<0.5	<3.37	Cusimano and Brakke 1986
Rainbow trout, <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	FT,M	50	30	30	Van Leeuwen et al. 1985
Rainbow trout, <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	FT,M	50	10	10	Van Leeuwen et al. 1985
Rainbow trout (28-day egg), <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	FT,M	50	9200	9200***	Van Leeuwen et al. 1985
Rainbow trout (14-day egg), <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	FT,M	50	7500	7500***	Van Leeuwen et al. 1985
Rainbow trout (24-hr. egg), <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	FT,M	50	13000	13000***	Van Leeuwen et al. 1985
Rainbow trout (0-hr. egg), <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	FT,M	50	13000	13000***	Van Leeuwen et al. 1985
Striped bass, <i>Morone saxatilis</i>	S,U	40	4	5.14	Palawski et al. 1985

Table B1. (Cont.)

Species	Method*	Hardness (mg/L as CaCO ₃)	Acute Value (ug/L)	Adjusted Acute Value (ug/L)**	Reference
Striped bass, Morone saxatilis	S,U	285	10	1.4	Palawski et al. 1985

* FT = flow-through, M = measured, S = static, U = unmeasured.

** Adjusted to a hardness of 50 mg/L using a slope of 1.128.

*** Not used in the calculation of the SMAV because data were available for a more sensitive life stage.

Table B2. New Chronic Values for Cadmium

Species	Method*	Hardness (mg/L as CaCO ₃)	Chronic Value (ug/L)	Adjusted Chronic Value (ug/L)**	Reference
Cladoceran, Ceriodaphnia reticulata	LC	240	0.4	0.12***	Elnabarawy et al. 1986
Cladoceran, Daphnia magna	LC	240	4.3	1.25***	Elnabarawy et al. 1986
Cladoceran, Daphnia pulex	LC	106	7.07	3.919	Ingersoll and Winner 1982
Cladoceran, Daphnia pulex	LC	65	7.49	6.096	Niederlehner 1984
Cladoceran, Daphnia pulex	LC	240	13.7	4***	Elnabarawy et al. 1986
Oligochaete, Aeolosoma headleyi	LC	65	25.19	20.50	Niederlehner 1984

* LC = life cycle.

** Adjusted to a hardness of 50 mg/L using a slope of 0.7852.

*** Not used in derivation of the criterion because the concentrations of cadmium were not measured.

Table B3. Ranked Genus Mean Acute Values for Cadmium

Rank*	Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L)**	Species	Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L)**
43	12755	Crayfish, <i>Orconectes virilis</i>	12755
42	8325	Goldfish, <i>Carassius auratus</i>	8325
41	8100	Damselfly, (Unidentified)	8100
40	7921	Tubificid worm, <i>Rhyacodrilus montana</i>	7921
39	7685	Mosquitofish, <i>Gambusia affinis</i>	7685
38	6915	Tubificid worm, <i>Stylodrilus heringianus</i>	6915
37	4990	Tubificid worm, <i>Spirosperma ferox</i>	4401
		Tubificid worm, <i>Spirosperma nikolskyi</i>	5658
36	4977	Threespine stickleback <i>Gasterosteus aculeatus</i>	4977
35	4778	Tubificid worm, <i>Varichaeta pacifica</i>	4778
34	4024	Tubificid worm, <i>Tubifex tubifex</i>	4024
33	4024	Tubificid worm, <i>Quistradilus multisetosus</i>	4024
32	3800	Snail, <i>Amnicola</i> sp.	3800
31	3570	Guppy, <i>Poecilia reticulata</i>	3570
30	3514	White sucker, <i>Catostomus commersoni</i>	3514
29	3400	Caddisfly, (Unidentified)	3400
28	3018	Tubificid worm, <i>Branchiura sowerbyi</i>	3018

Table B3. (Cont.)

Rank*	Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L) **	Species	Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L) **
27	2888	Flagfish, <i>Jordanella floridae</i>	2888
26	2400	Northern squawfish, <i>Ptychocheilus oregonensis</i>	2400
25	2395	Green sunfish, <i>Lepomis cyanellus</i>	2399
		Pumpkinseed, <i>Lepomis gibbosus</i>	1347
		Bluegill, <i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>	4249
24	2310	Mayfly, <i>Ephemerella grandis</i>	2310
23	2137	Tubificid worm, <i>Limnodrilus hoffmeisteri</i>	2137
22	1700	Worm, <i>Nais</i> sp.	1700
21	1700	Amphipod, <i>Crangonyx pseudogracilis</i>	1700
20	1200	Midge, <i>Chironomus</i> sp.	1200
19	736	American eel, <i>Anguilla rostrata</i>	736
18	401	Isopod, <i>Asellus bicrenata</i>	401
17	221.9	Bryozoan, <i>Plumatella emarginata</i>	221.9
16	215.5	Common carp, <i>Cyprinus carpio</i>	215.5
15	156.9	Snail, <i>Physa gyrina</i>	156.9
14	142.5	Bryozoan, <i>Pectinatella magnifica</i>	142.5
13	104.0	Snail, <i>Aplexa hypnorum</i>	104.0

Table B3. (Cont.)

Rank*	Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L)**	Species	Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L)**
12	98.79	Banded killifish, <i>Fundulus diaphanus</i>	98.79
11	74.99	Amphipod, <i>Gammarus pseudolimnaeus</i>	80.33
		Amphipod, <i>Gammarus</i> sp.	70.00
10	48.28	Cladoceran, <i>Ceriodaphnia reticulata</i>	48.28
9	42.8	Isopod, <i>Lirceus alabamae</i>	42.8
8	40.78	Cladoceran, <i>Moina macrocopa</i>	40.78
7	30.54	Bryozoan, <i>Lophopodella carteri</i>	30.54
6	30.50	Fathead minnow, <i>Pimephales promelas</i>	30.50
5	29.96	Cladoceran, <i>Simocephalus serrulatus</i>	33.2
		Cladoceran, <i>Simocephalus vetulus</i>	27.03
4	21.13	Cladoceran, <i>Daphnia magna</i>	14.2
		Cladoceran, <i>Daphnia pulex</i>	31.43
3	5.421	Coho salmon, <i>Oncorhynchus kisutch</i>	6.48
		Chinook salmon, <i>Oncorhynchus tshawytscha</i>	4.254
		Rainbow trout, <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	5.78
2	2.682***	White perch, <i>Morone americana</i>	7544
		Striped bass, <i>Morone saxatilis</i>	2.682****

Table B3. (Cont.)

Rank*	Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L)**	Species	Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L)**
1	1.647	Brown trout, <i>Salmo trutta</i>	1.647

- * Ranked from most resistant to most sensitive based on Genus Mean Acute Value.
- ** At hardness = 50 mg/L.
- *** The GMAV was set equal to the lower SMAV due to the large range in the SMAVs in this genus.
- **** This SMAV was based on the results reported by Palawski et al. (1985) because they were considered better data than those given in U.S. EPA (1985), although the data reported by Hughes (1973) supported the newer data.

At hardness = 50 mg/L:

$$FAV = 4.134 \text{ ug/L}$$

$$CMC = FAV/2 = 2.067 \text{ ug/L}$$

As a function of hardness:

$$CMC = e^{1.128 (\ln \text{ hardness}) - 3.6867}$$

Table B4. Ranked Genus Mean Chronic Values for Cadmium

Rank*	Genus Mean Chronic Value (ug/L)**	Species	Species Mean Chronic Value (ug/L)**
12	20.50	Oligochaete, Aeolosoma headleyi	20.50
11	16.32	Bluegill, Lepomis macrochirus	16.32
10	15.40	Fathead minnow, Pimephales promelas	15.40
9	8.170	Smallmouth bass, Micropterus dolomieu	8.170
8	8.138	Northern pike, Esox lucius	8.138
7	7.849	White sucker, Catostomus commersoni	7.849
6	7.771	Atlantic salmon, Salmo salar	8.192
		Brown trout, Salmo trutta	7.372
5	5.336	Flagfish, Jordanella floridae	5.336
4	4.841	Snail, Aplexa hypnorum	4.841
3	4.383	Brook trout, Salvelinus fontinalis	2.362
		Lake trout, Salvelinus namaycush	8.134
2	3.399	Coho salmon, Oncorhynchus kisutch	4.289
		Chinook salmon, Oncorhynchus tshawytscha	2.694
1	0.1354***	Cladoceran, Daphnia magna	0.1354
		Cladoceran, Daphnia pulex	4.888

* Ranked from most resistant to most sensitive based on Genus Mean Chronic Value.

** At hardness = 50 mg/L.

*** The GMCV was set equal to the lower SMCV due to the large range in the SMCVs for this genus.

At hardness = 50 mg/L:

$$FCV = 1.4286 \text{ ug/L} = CCC \quad (\text{calculated using } n = 43)$$

As a function of hardness:

$$CCC = e^{0.7852 (\ln \text{ hardness}) - 2.715}$$

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Tier 1 Aquatic Life Criterion for Chromium(III)

The new acceptable acute data for chromium(III) are given in Table C1; no new acceptable chronic data were found. These data were used with those given in Tables 1 and 2 of the criteria document for chromium (U.S. EPA 1984) to obtain the values given in Table C2. Because the toxicity of chromium(III) is hardness-dependent, all acute values in Table C2 have been adjusted to a hardness of 50 mg/L.

Criterion Maximum Concentration (CMC)

The Final Acute Value (FAV) was calculated using the four lowest Genus Mean Acute Values in Table C2, resulting in an FAV of 2044 ug/L at a hardness of 50 mg/L. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CMC was calculated by dividing the FAV by 2, resulting in a CMC of 1022 ug/L, as total recoverable chromium(III), at a hardness of 50 mg/L. The CMC was related to hardness using the slope of 0.819 that was derived in U.S. EPA (1985):

$$\text{CMC} = e^{0.819 (\ln \text{hardness}) + 3.7256}$$

Criterion Continuous Concentration (CCC)

Insufficient chronic toxicity data were available to calculate a Final Chronic Value (FCV) using the eight-family procedure. Sufficient chronic data were available to calculate a FCV by dividing the FAV by the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio (FACR). SMACRs were available for three species (Table C2) and the highest SMACR was obtained with the most resistant of the three. The other two SMACRs were within a factor of 2.4. The FACR was calculated as the geometric mean of the two ACRs and was 41.84. The FCV = FAV/FACR = (2044 ug/L)/(41.84) = 48.85 ug/L at a hardness of 50 mg/L. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. Thus the CCC was 48.85 ug/L, as total recoverable chromium(III), at a hardness of 50 mg/L. The CCC, was related to hardness using the slope of 0.819:

$$\text{CCC} = e^{0.819 (\ln \text{hardness}) + 0.6848}$$

The Criterion

The procedures described in the GLI tier 1 methodology indicate that, except possibly where a locally important species is very sensitive, aquatic organisms should not be affected unacceptably if the four-day average concentration of chromium(III) does not exceed the numerical value (in ug/L) given by the equation

$$CCC = e^{0.819 (\ln \text{hardness}) + 0.6848}$$

more than once every three years on the average and if the one-hour average concentration does not exceed the numerical value (in ug/L) given by the equation

$$CMC = e^{0.819 (\ln \text{hardness}) + 3.7256}$$

more than once every three years on the average.

Table C1. New Acute Values for Chromium(III)

Species	Method*	Hardness (mg/L as CaCO ₃)	Acute Value (ug/L)	Adjusted Acute Value (ug/L)**	Reference
Amphipod, Crangonyx pseudogracilis	S,U	50	291,000	291,000	Martin and Holdich 1986

* S = static, U = unmeasured.

** Adjusted to a hardness of 50 mg/L using a slope of 0.819.

Table C2. Ranked Genus Mean Acute Values for Chromium(III)

Rank*	Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L) **	Species	Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L) **	Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio
19	291,000	Amphipod, <i>Crangonyx pseudogracilis</i>	291,000	-----
18	71060	Caddisfly, <i>Hydropsyche betteni</i>	71060	-----
17	50000	Caddisfly, Unidentified sp.	50000	-----
16	43100	Damselfly, Unidentified sp.	43100	-----
15	16010	Cladoceran, <i>Daphnia magna</i>	16010	>356.4***
14	15630	Banded killifish, <i>Fundulus diaphanus</i>	15630	-----
13	15370	Pumpkinseed, <i>Lepomis gibbosus</i>	15720	-----
		Bluegill, <i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>	15020	-----
12	14770	White perch, <i>Morone americana</i>	13320	-----
		Striped bass, <i>Morone saxatilis</i>	16370	-----
11	13230	Common carp, <i>Cyprinus carpio</i>	13230	-----
10	12860	American eel, <i>Anguilla rostrata</i>	12860	-----
9	11000	Midge, <i>Chironomus sp.</i>	11000	-----
8	10320	Fathead minnow, <i>Pimephales promelas</i>	10320	27.30
7	10210	Snail, <i>Amnicola sp.</i>	10210	-----
6	9669	Rainbow trout, <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	9669	64.11
5	9300	Worm, <i>Nais sp.</i>	9300	-----

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$$CCC = e^{0.819 (\ln \text{hardness}) + 0.6848}$$

As a function of hardness:

$$FCV = FAV/FACR = (2044 \text{ mg/L}) / (41.84) = 48.85 \text{ ug/L} = CCC$$

At hardness = 50 mg/L:

$$FACR = 41.84$$

$$CMC = e^{0.819 (\ln \text{hardness}) + 3.7256}$$

As a function of hardness:

$$CMC = FAV/2 = 1022 \text{ ug/L}$$

$$FAV = 2044 \text{ ug/L}$$

At hardness = 50 mg/L:

* Ranked from most resistant to most sensitive based on Genus Mean Acute Value.
 ** At hardness = 50 mg/L.
 *** Not used in the calculation of the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio.

Rank*	Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L)**	Species	Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L)**	Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio
1	2221	Mayfly, Ephemerella subvaria	2221	-----
2	3200	Amphipod, Gammarus sp.	3200	-----
3	7053	Guppy, Poecilia reticulata	7053	-----
4	8684	Goldfish, Carassius auratus	8684	-----

Table C2. (Cont.)

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Tier 1 Aquatic Life Criterion for Chromium(VI)

The new acceptable acute data for chromium(VI) are given in Table D1; no new acceptable chronic data were used. These new data were used with those given in Tables 1 and 2 of the criteria document for chromium (U.S. EPA 1985) to obtain the values given in Table D2.

Criterion Maximum Concentration (CMC)

The Final Acute Value (FAV) was calculated using the four lowest Genus Mean Acute Values given in Table D2, resulting in a FAV of 32.04 ug/L. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CMC was calculated by dividing the FAV by 2, resulting in a CMC of 16.02 ug/L, as total recoverable chromium(VI).

Criterion Continuous Concentration (CCC)

Insufficient chronic toxicity data were available to calculate a Final Chronic Value (FCV) using the eight-family procedure. Sufficient chronic data were available to calculate a FCV by dividing the FAV by the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio (FACR). Eight SMACRs were available (Table D2), but three were high SMACRs that were obtained with resistant species and one was a "greater than" value. Of the eight, only four were appropriate for use in calculating the FACR and the four were within a factor of 6. The FACR was calculated as the geometric mean of these four and was 2.917. The $FCV = FAV/FACR = (32.04 \text{ ug/L}) / (2.917) = 10.98 \text{ ug/L}$. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CCC was 10.98 ug/L, as total recoverable chromium(VI).

The Criterion

The procedures described in the GLI Tier 1 methodology indicate that, except possibly where a locally important species is very sensitive, aquatic organisms should not be affected unacceptably if the four-day average concentration of chromium(VI) does not exceed 10.98 ug/L more than once every three years on the average and if the one-hour average concentration does not exceed 16.02 ug/L more than once every three years on the average.

Table D1. New Acute Values for Chromium(VI)

Species	Method*	Chemical	Acute Value (ug/L)	Reference
Cladoceran, Daphnia magna	S,U	K-dichromate	900**	Berglind and Dave 1984
Cladoceran, Daphnia magna	S,U	Na-dichromate	112**	Elnabarawy et al. 1986
Cladoceran, Daphnia pulex	S,M	K-dichromate	170**	Dorn et al. 1987
Cladoceran, Daphnia pulex	S,U	K-dichromate	190**	Dorn, et al. 1987
Cladoceran, Daphnia pulex	S,M	K-dichromate	20**	Dorn, et al. 1987
Cladoceran, Daphnia pulex	S,U	K-dichromate	20**	Dorn, et al. 1987
Cladoceran, Daphnia pulex	S,M	K-dichromate	40**	Dorn, et al. 1987
Cladoceran, Daphnia pulex	S,U	K-dichromate	40**	Dorn, et al. 1987
Cladoceran, Daphnia pulex	S,U	Na-dichromate	122**	Elnabarawy et al. 1986
Cladoceran, Daphnia pulex	S,M	K-dichromate	180**	Jop et al. 1987
Cladoceran, Daphnia pulex	S,M	K-dichromate	180**	Jop et al. 1987
Amphipod, Crangonyx pseudogracilis	R,U	K-dichromate	420	Martin and Holdich 1986
Amphipod, Crangonyx pseudogracilis	R,U	K-dichromate	810	Martin and Holdich 1986
Bluegill, Lepomis macrochirus	S,M	K-dichromate	182,000**	Jop et al. 1987
Bluegill, Lepomis macrochirus	S,M	K-dichromate	154,000**	Jop et al. 1987
Bluegill, Lepomis macrochirus	S,M	K-dichromate	201,240**	Dorn et al. 1987

Table D1. (Cont.)

Species	Method*	Chemical	Acute Value (ug/L)	Reference
Bluegill, Lepomis macrochirus	S,U	K-dichromate	164,730**	Dorn et al. 1987
Bluegill, Lepomis macrochirus	S,M	K-dichromate	199,200**	Dorn et al. 1987
Bluegill, Lepomis macrochirus	S,U	K-dichromate	158,360**	Dorn et al. 1987
Bluegill, Lepomis macrochirus	S,M	K-dichromate	148,310**	Dorn et al. 1987
Bluegill, Lepomis macrochirus.	S,U	K-dichromate	146,530**	Dorn et al. 1987
Fathead minnow, Pimephales promelas	S,M	K-dichromate	46,000**	Jop et al. 1987
Fathead minnow, Pimephales promelas	S,M	K-dichromate	34,000**	Jop et al. 1987
Fathead minnow, Pimephales promelas	S,U	K-dichromate	26,130**	Dorn et al. 1987
Fathead minnow, Pimephales promelas	S,M	K-dichromate	26,410**	Dorn et al. 1987

* S = static, FT = flow-through, M = measured, U = unmeasured.

** Not used in the calculation of the SMAV because data were available for this species from a "FT,M" test.

Table D2. Ranked Genus Mean Acute Values for Chromium(VI)

Rank*	Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L)	Species	Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L)	Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio
28	1,870,000	Stonefly, <i>Neophasganophora capitata</i>	1,870,000	-----
27	176,000	Crayfish, <i>Orconectes rusticus</i>	176,000	-----
26	140,000	Damselfly, <i>Enallagma aspersum</i>	140,000	-----
25	123,500	Green sunfish, <i>Lepomis cyanellus</i>	114,700	-----
		Bluegill, <i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>	132,900	-----
24	119,500	Goldfish, <i>Carassius auratus</i>	119,500	-----
23	72,600	White crappie, <i>Pomoxis annularis</i>	72,600	-----
22	69,000	Rainbow trout, <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	69,000	260.8**
21	67,610	Emerald shiner, <i>Notropis atherinoides</i>	48,400	-----
		Striped shiner, <i>Notropis chrysocephalus</i>	85,600	-----
		Sand shiner, <i>Notropis stramineus</i>	74,600	-----
20	61,000	Midge, <i>Chironomus tentans</i>	61,000	-----
19	59,000	Brook trout, <i>Salvelinus fontinalis</i>	59,000	223**
18	57,300	Midge, <i>Tanytarsus dissimilis</i>	57,300	-----
17	51,250	Central stoneroller, <i>Camptostoma anomalum</i>	51,250	-----
16	49,600	Silverjaw minnow, <i>Ericymba buccata</i>	49,600	-----

Table D2. (Cont.)

Rank*	Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L)	Species	Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L)	Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio
15	47,180	Bluntnose minnow, <i>Pimephales notatus</i>	54,225	-----
		Fathead minnow, <i>Pimephales promelas</i>	41,050	18.55**
14	46,000	Johnny darter, <i>Etheostoma nigrum</i>	46,000	-----
13	36,300	Yellow perch, <i>Perca flavescens</i>	36,300	-----
12	30,450	Striped bass, <i>Morone saxatilis</i>	30,450	-----
11	30,000	Guppy, <i>Poecilia reticulata</i>	30,000	-----
10	23,010	Snail, <i>Physa heterostropha</i>	23,010	-----
9	1,560	Bryozoan, <i>Lophopodella carteri</i>	1,560	-----
8	1,440	Bryozoan, <i>Pectinatella magnifica</i>	1,440	-----
7	650	Bryozoan, <i>Plumatella emarginata</i>	650	-----
6	630	Amphipod, <i>Hyalella azteca</i>	630	-----
5	583	Amphipod, <i>Crangonyx pseudogracilis</i>	583	-----
4	67.1	Amphipod, <i>Gammarus pseudolimnaeus</i>	67.1	-----
3	45.1	Cladoceran, <i>Ceriodaphnia reticulata</i>	45.1	1.13
2	36.35	Cladoceran, <i>Simocephalus serrulatus</i>	40.9	2.055
		Cladoceran, <i>Simocephalus vetulus</i>	32.3	5.267

Table D2. (Cont.)

Rank*	Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L)	Species	Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L)	Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio
1	28.94	Cladoceran, Daphnia magna	23.07	>6.957**
		Cladoceran, Daphnia pulex	36.3	5.92

* Ranked from most resistant to most sensitive based on Genus Mean Acute Value.

** Not used in the calculation of the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio.

$$FAV = 32.04 \text{ ug/L}$$

$$CMC = FAV/2 = 16.02 \text{ ug/L}$$

$$FACR = 2.917$$

$$FCV = FAV/FACR = (32.04 \text{ ug/L}) / (2.917) = 10.98 \text{ ug/L} = CCC$$

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Tier 1 Aquatic Life Criterion for Copper

The new acceptable acute and chronic data for copper are given in Tables E1 and E2. These new data were used with those given in Tables 1 and 2 of the criteria document for copper (U.S. EPA 1985) to obtain the values given in Table E3. Because the toxicity of copper is hardness-dependent, all acute values in Table E3 have been adjusted to a hardness of 50 mg/L.

Criterion Maximum Concentration (CMC)

Data given in U.S. EPA (1985) for the species *Gammarus pulex* were not used because this species is not resident in North America. Several SMAVs given in Table E3 were derived from U.S. EPA (1985) by giving preference to results of "FT,M" tests.

The Final Acute Value (FAV) was calculated using the four lowest Genus Mean Acute Values in Table E3, resulting in an FAV of 14.57 ug/L at a hardness of 50 mg/L. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CMC was calculated by dividing the FAV by 2, resulting in a CMC of 7.285 ug/L, as total recoverable copper, at a hardness of 50 mg/L. The CMC was related to hardness using the slope of 0.9422 that was derived in U.S. EPA (1985):

$$\text{CMC} = e^{0.9422 (\ln \text{hardness}) - 1.700}$$

Criterion Continuous Concentration (CCC)

Insufficient chronic toxicity data were available to calculate a Final Chronic Value (FCV) using the eight-family procedure. Sufficient chronic data were available to calculate a FCV by dividing the FAV by the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio (FACR). The new chronic test gave an ACR of 15.48 with the fathead minnow; the geometric mean of this value and the four ACRs for this species in U.S. EPA (1985) was 11.20. SMACRs were available for nine species (Table E3) and were higher for resistant species. To make the FACR appropriate for sensitive species, it was calculated from the two SMACRs that were determined with species whose SMAVs were close to the FAV. Thus the FACR was calculated as the geometric mean of 3.297 and 2.418 and was 2.823. The FCV = FAV/FACR = (14.57 ug/L)/(2.823) = 5.161 ug/L at a hardness of 50 mg/L. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. Thus the CCC was 5.161 ug/L, as total recoverable

copper, at a hardness of 50 mg/L. The CCC was related to hardness using the slope of 0.8545 that was derived in U.S. EPA (1985):

$$CCC = e^{0.8545 (\ln \text{ hardness}) - 1.702}$$

The Criterion

The procedures described in the GLI Tier 1 methodology indicate that, except possibly where a locally important species is very sensitive, aquatic organisms should not be affected unacceptably if the four-day average concentration of copper does not exceed the numerical value (in ug/L) given by the equation

$$CCC = e^{0.8545 (\ln \text{ hardness}) - 1.702}$$

more than once every three years on the average and if the one-hour average concentration does not exceed the numerical value (in ug/L) given by the equation

$$CMC = e^{0.9422 (\ln \text{ hardness}) - 1.700}$$

more than once every three years on the average.

Table E1. New Acute Values for Copper

Species	Method*	Hardness (mg/L as CaCO ₃)	Acute Value (ug/L)	Adjusted Acute Value (ug/L)**	Reference
Cladoceran, <i>Ceriodaphnia reticulata</i>	S,U	240	23	5.2	Elnabarawy et al. 1986
Cladoceran, <i>Daphnia magna</i>	S,U	240	41	9.4	Elnabarawy et al. 1986
Cladoceran, <i>Daphnia pulex</i>	S,U	240	31	7.1	Elnabarawy et al. 1986
Amphipod, <i>Crangonyx pseudogracilis</i>	S,U	50	1290	1290	Martin and Holdich 1986
Asiatic clam, <i>Corbicula manilensis</i>	FT,M	17	>2600	>7184	Harrison et al. 1984
Midge, <i>Chironomus decorus</i>	S,M	44	739	834	Kosalwat and Knight 1987
Fathead minnow, <i>Pimephales promelas</i>	FT,M	43.9	96	109	Spehar and Fiandt 1986
Bluegill, <i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>	S,M	31.2	340	530***	Bailey et al. 1985
Bluegill, <i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>	FT,M	31.2	550	858	Bailey et at. 1985
Rainbow trout, <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	FT,M	9.2	2.8	14	Cusimano and Brakke 1986
Striped bass, <i>Morone saxatilis</i>	S,U	285	270	52	Palawski et al. 1985

* S = static, FT = flow-through, U = unmeasured, M = measured.

** Adjusted to a hardness of 50 mg/L using the slope of 0.9422.

*** Not used in the calculation of the SMAV because data were available for this species from a "FT,M" test.

Table E2. New Chronic Values for Copper

Species	Method*	Acute Value (ug/L)	Chronic Value (ug/L)	Acute-Chronic Ratio	Reference
Fathead minnow, Pimephales promelas	ELS	96	6.2	15.48	Spehar and Fiandt 1986

* ELS = early life stage.

Table E3. Ranked Genus Mean Acute Values for Copper

Rank*	Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L)**	Species	Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L)**	Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio
43	10240	Stonefly, <i>Acroneuria lycorias</i>	10240	-----
42	> 7184	Asiatic clam, <i>Corbicula manilensis</i>	> 7184	-----
41	6200	Caddisfly, Unidentified sp.	6200	-----
40	4600	Damselfly, Unidentified sp.	4600	-----
39	4305	American eel, <i>Anguilla rostrata</i>	4305	-----
38	1990	Crayfish, <i>Procambarus clarkii</i>	1990	-----
37	1877	Snail, <i>Campeloma decisum</i>	1877	156.2***
36	1397	Crayfish, <i>Orconectes rusticus</i>	1397	-----
35	1290	Amphipod, <i>Crangonyx pseudogracilis</i>	1290	-----
34	1057	Pumpkinseed, <i>Lepomis gibbosus</i>	640.9	-----
		Bluegill, <i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>	1742	37.96***
33	900	Snail, <i>Amnicola</i> sp.	900	-----
32	790.6	Banded killifish, <i>Fundulus diaphanus</i>	790.6	-----
31	684.3	Mozambique tilapia <i>Tilapia mossambica</i>	684.3	-----
30	331.8	Striped shiner, <i>Notropis chrysocephalus</i>	331.8	-----
29	289	Goldfish, <i>Carassius auratus</i>	289	-----
28	242.7	Worm, <i>Lumbriculus variegatus</i>	242.7	-----

Table E3. (Cont.)

Rank*	Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L)**	Species	Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L)**	Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio
27	196.1	Mosquitofish, <i>Gambusia affinis</i>	196.1	-----
26	170.2~	Midge, <i>Chironomus tentans</i>	197	-----
		Midge, <i>Chironomus decorus</i>	834	-----
		Midge, <i>Chironomus sp.</i>	30	-----
25	166.2	Snail, <i>Goniobasis livescens</i>	166.2	-----
24	156.8	Common carp, <i>Cyprinus carpio</i>	156.8	-----
23	141.2	Rainbow darter <i>Etheostoma caeruleum</i>	86.67	-----
		Orangethroat darter, <i>Etheostoma spectabile</i>	230.2	-----
22	135	Bryozoan, <i>Pectinatella magnifica</i>	135	-----
21	133	Chiselmouth, <i>Acrocheilus alutaceus</i>	133	-----
20	110.4	Brook trout, <i>Salvelinus fontinalis</i>	110.4	7.776***
19	109.9	Atlantic salmon, <i>Salmo salar</i>	109.9	-----
18	97.9	Bluntnose minnow, <i>Pimephales notatus</i>	72.16	26.36***
		Fathead minnow, <i>Pimephales promelas</i>	132.9	11.20***
17	90	Worm, <i>Nais sp.</i>	90	-----
16	86.67	Blacknose dace, <i>Rhinichthys atratulus</i>	86.67	-----

Table E3. (Cont.)

Rank*	Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L)**	Species	Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L)**	Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio
15	83.97	Creek chub, <i>Semotilus atromaculatus</i>	83.97	-----
14	83	Guppy, <i>Poecilia reticulata</i>	83	-----
13	78.55	Central stoneroller, <i>Campostoma anomalum</i>	78.55	-----
12	73.99	Coho salmon, <i>Oncorhynchus kisutch</i>	87.1	-----
		Sockeye salmon, <i>Oncorhynchus nerka</i>	233.8	-----
		Cutthroat trout, <i>Oncorhynchus clarki</i>	66.26	-----
		Chinook salmon, <i>Oncorhynchus tshawytscha</i>	42.26	> 4.473***
		Rainbow trout, <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	38.89	-----
11	69.81	Brown bullhead, <i>Ictalurus nebulosus</i>	69.81	-----
10	56.21	Snail, <i>Gyraulus circumstriatus</i>	56.21	-----
9	53.08	Worm, <i>Limnodrilus hoffmeisteri</i>	53.08	-----
8	52~~	White perch, <i>Morone americanus</i>	5860	-----
		Striped bass, <i>Morone saxatilis</i>	52~~~~	-----
7	39.33	Snail, <i>Physa heterostropha</i>	35.91	-----
		Snail, <i>Physa integra</i>	43.07	3.585***
6	37.05	Bryozoan, <i>Lophopodella carteri</i>	37.05	-----
5	37.05	Bryozoan, <i>Plumatella emarginata</i>	37.05	-----
4	22.09	Amphipod, <i>Gammarus pseudolimnaeus</i>	22.09	3.297

Table E3. (Cont.)

Rank*	Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L)**	Species	Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L)**	Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio
3	16.74	Northern squawfish, <i>Ptychocheilus oregonensis</i>	16.74	-----
2	14.48	Cladoceran, <i>Daphnia magna</i>	19.88	2.418
		Cladoceran, <i>Daphnia pulex</i>	16.5	-----
		Cladoceran, <i>Daphnia pulicaria</i>	9.263	-----
1	9.92	Cladoceran, <i>Ceriodaphnia reticulata</i>	9.92	-----

* Ranked from most resistant to most sensitive based on Genus Mean Acute Value.

** At hardness = 50 mg/L.

*** Not used in the calculation of the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio.

~ This GMAV was not set equal to the lowest SMAV because the species was not identified.

~~ This GMAV was set equal to the lower SMAV due to the large range in the SMAVs in this genus.

~~~ This SMAV was based on the results reported by Palawaki et al. (1985) because they were considered better data than those given in U.S. EPA (1985), although the data reported by Hughes (1973) supported the newer data.

At hardness = 50 mg/L:

$$FAV = 14.57 \text{ ug/L}$$

$$CMC = FAV/2 = 7.285 \text{ ug/L}$$

As a function of hardness:

$$CMC = e^{0.9422 (\ln \text{ hardness}) - 1.700}$$

$$FACR = 2.823$$

At hardness = 50 mg/L:

$$FCV = FAV/FACR = (14.57 \text{ ug/L}) / (2.823) = 5.161 \text{ ug/L} = CCC$$

As a function of hardness:

$$CCC = e^{0.8545 (\ln \text{ hardness}) - 1.702}$$

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## GREAT LAKES WATER QUALITY INITIATIVE

### Tier 1 Aquatic Life Criterion for Cyanide

No new acceptable acute or chronic data were found for cyanide. Therefore, the data in the existing criteria document for cyanide (U.S. EPA 1985) were used as the basis for the derivation of this criterion. The new taxonomy for salmonids was used (Table F1), but this did not cause a change in the criterion for cyanide.

#### Criterion Maximum Concentration (CMC)

The Final Acute Value (FAV) was calculated using the four lowest Genus Mean Acute Values given in Table F1, resulting in a FAV of 45.77 ug/L. Because the SMAV of the commercially and recreationally important rainbow trout was 44.73 ug/L, the FAV was lowered to 44.73 ug/L. The CMC was calculated by dividing the FAV by 2, resulting in a CMC of 22.36 ug free cyanide (as CN)/L.

#### Criterion Continuous Concentration (CCC)

Insufficient chronic toxicity data were available to calculate a Final Chronic Value (FCV) using the eight-family procedure. Sufficient chronic data were available to calculate a FCV by dividing the FAV by the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio (FACR). Five SMACRs are available (Table F1), but one was a high SMACR that was obtained with a resistant species; the other four were within a factor of 1.5. The FACR was calculated as the geometric mean of these four and was 8.568. The  $FCV = FAV/FACR = (44.73 \text{ ug/L}) / (8.568) = 5.221 \text{ ug/L}$ . This value does not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CCC was 5.221 ug free cyanide (as CN)/L.

#### The Criterion

The procedures described in the GLI Tier 1 methodology indicate that, except possibly where a locally important species is very sensitive, aquatic organisms should not be affected unacceptably if the four-day average concentration of free cyanide (as CN) does not exceed 5.221 ug/L more than once every three years on the average and if the one-hour average concentration does not exceed 22.36 ug/L more than once every three years on the average.

Table F1. Ranked Genus Mean Acute Values for Cyanide

| Rank* | Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species                                   | Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio |
|-------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 16    | 2490                          | Midge,<br>Tanytarsus dissimilis           | 2490                            | -----                            |
| 15    | 2326                          | Isopod,<br>Asellus communis               | 2326                            | 68.29**                          |
| 14    | 432                           | Snail,<br>Physa heterostropha             | 432                             | -----                            |
| 13    | 426                           | Stonefly,<br>Pteronarcys dorsata          | 426                             | -----                            |
| 12    | 318                           | Goldfish,<br>Carassius Auratus            | 318                             | -----                            |
| 11    | 167                           | Amphipod,<br>Gammarus pseudolimnaeus      | 167                             | 9.111                            |
| 10    | 147                           | Guppy,<br>Poecilia reticulata             | 147                             | -----                            |
| 9     | 125.1                         | Fathead minnow,<br>Pimephales promelas    | 125.1                           | 7.633                            |
| 8     | 123.6                         | Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia magna              | 160                             | -----                            |
|       |                               | Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia pulex              | 95.55                           | -----                            |
| 7     | 102                           | Largemouth bass,<br>Micropterus salmoides | 102                             | -----                            |
| 6     | 102                           | Black crappie,<br>Pomoxis nigromaculatus  | 102                             | -----                            |
| 5     | 99.28                         | Bluegill,<br>Lepomis macrochirus          | 99.28                           | 7.316                            |
| 4     | 92.64                         | Yellow perch,<br>Perca flavescens         | 92.64                           | -----                            |
| 3     | 90.00                         | Atlantic salmon,<br>Salmo salar           | 90.00                           | -----                            |
| 2     | 85.80                         | Brook trout,<br>Salvelinus fontinalis     | 85.80                           | 10.59                            |
| 1     | 44.73                         | Rainbow trout<br>Oncorhynchus mykiss      | 44.73                           | -----                            |

- \* Ranked from most resistant to most sensitive based on Genus Mean Acute Value.
- \*\* Not used in the calculation of the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio.

Calculated FAV = 45.77 ug/L

Lowered to protect rainbow trout:

FAV = 44.73 ug/L

CMC = FAV/2 = 22.36 ug/L

FACR = 8.568

FCV = FAV/FACR = (44.73 ug/L)/(8.568) = 5.221 ug/L = CCC

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## GREAT LAKES WATER QUALITY INITIATIVE

### Tier 1 Aquatic Life Criterion for Dieldrin

The new acceptable acute data for dieldrin are given in Table G1; no new acceptable chronic data were found. These new data were used with those given in Tables 1 and 2 of the criteria document for dieldrin (U.S. EPA 1980) to obtain the values given in Table G2. Although results from the following publications were used in U.S. EPA (1980), they were not considered acceptable for use here: Santharam et al. (1976), Gaufin (1965), and Jensen and Gaufin (1964).

#### Criterion Maximum Concentration (CMC)

The Final Acute Value (FAV) was calculated using the four lowest Genus Mean Acute Values given in Table G2, resulting in a FAV of 0.4749 ug/L. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CMC was calculated by dividing the FAV by 2, resulting in a CMC of 0.2374 ug/L.

#### Criterion Continuous Concentration (CCC)

Insufficient chronic toxicity data were available to calculate a Final Chronic Value (FCV) using the eight-family procedure. Sufficient chronic data were available to calculate a FCV by dividing the FAV by the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio (FACR). Two SMACRs were given in Table G2; a third SMACR of 6.2 was given in U.S. EPA (1980) for the saltwater mysid. These three were within a factor of 1.8. The FACR was calculated as the geometric mean of the three SMACRs and was 8.530. The FCV = FAV/FACR = (0.4749 ug/L)/(8.530) = 0.0557 ug/L. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CCC was 0.0557 ug/L.

#### The Criterion

The procedures described in the GLI Tier 1 methodology indicate that, except possibly where a locally important species is very sensitive, aquatic organisms should not be affected unacceptably if the four-day average concentration of dieldrin does not exceed 0.0557 ug/L more than once every three years on the average and if the one-hour average concentration does not exceed 0.2374 ug/L more than once every three years on the average.

Table G1. New Acute Values for Dieldrin

| Species                                 | Method* | Test Duration (hrs) | Acute Value (ug/L) | Reference                 |
|-----------------------------------------|---------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia pulex            | S,M     | 48                  | 251                | Daniels and Allan 1981    |
| Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia pulex            | S,U     | 48                  | 190                | Mayer and Ellersieck 1986 |
| Stonefly,<br>Claassenia sabulosa        | S,U     | 96                  | 0.6                | Mayer and Ellersieck 1986 |
| Stonefly,<br>Pteronarcys californica    | S,U     | 96                  | 0.5                | Mayer and Ellersieck 1986 |
| Stonefly,<br>Pteronarcella badia        | S,U     | 96                  | 0.5                | Mayer and Ellersieck 1986 |
| Damselfly,<br>Ischnura verticalis       | S,U     | 96                  | 12                 | Mayer and Ellersieck 1986 |
| Annelid,<br>Lumbriculus variegatus      | FT,M    | 96                  | 21.8               | U.S. EPA 1991             |
| Rainbow trout,<br>Oncorhynchus mykiss   | S,U     | 96                  | 1.2**              | Mayer and Ellersieck 1986 |
| Rainbow trout,<br>Oncorhynchus mykiss   | FT,M    | 96                  | 0.62               | Shubat and Curtis 1986    |
| Rainbow trout,<br>Oncorhynchus mykiss   | S,U     | 96                  | 3**                | Van Leeuwen et al. 1985   |
| Goldfish,<br>Carassius auratus          | S,U     | 96                  | 1.8                | Mayer and Ellersieck 1986 |
| Fathead minnow,<br>Pimephales promelas  | S,U     | 96                  | 3.8                | Mayer and Ellersieck 1986 |
| Bluegill,<br>Lepomis macrochirus        | S,U     | 96                  | 3.1                | Mayer and Ellersieck 1986 |
| Bluegill,<br>Lepomis macrochirus        | S,U     | 96                  | 7                  | Sanders 1972              |
| Pumpkinseed,<br>Lepomis gibbosus        | S,U     | 96                  | 6.7                | Cairns and Scheier 1964   |
| Cutthroat trout,<br>Oncorhynchus clarki | S,U     | 96                  | 6                  | Mayer and Ellersieck 1986 |

Table G1. (Cont.)

| Species                                   | Method* | Test Duration (hrs) | Acute Value (ug/L) | Reference                    |
|-------------------------------------------|---------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| Channel catfish,<br>Ictalurus punctatus   | S,U     | 96                  | 4.5                | Mayer and<br>Eilersieck 1986 |
| Largemouth bass,<br>Micropterus salmoides | S,U     | 96                  | 3.5                | Mayer and<br>Eilersieck 1986 |

\* S = static, FT = flow-through, U = unmeasured, M = measured.

\*\* Not used in the calculation of the SMAV because data were available for this species from a "FT,M" test.

Table G2. Ranked Genus Mean Acute Values for Dieldrin

| Rank* | Genus Mean<br>Acute Value<br>(ug/L) | Species                                         | Species Mean<br>Acute Value<br>(ug/L) | Species Mean<br>Acute-Chronic<br>Ratio |
|-------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| 18    | 740                                 | Crayfish,<br><i>Orconectes nais</i>             | 740                                   | -----                                  |
| 17    | 534                                 | Amphipod,<br><i>Gammarus lacustris</i>          | 460                                   | -----                                  |
|       |                                     | Amphipod,<br><i>Gammarus fasciatus</i>          | 620                                   | -----                                  |
| 16    | 228                                 | Cladoceran,<br><i>Daphnia pulex</i>             | 228                                   | -----                                  |
| 15    | 214                                 | Cladoceran,<br><i>Simocephalus serrulatus</i>   | 214                                   | -----                                  |
| 14    | 21.8                                | Annelid,<br><i>Lumbriculus variegatus</i>       | 21.8                                  | -----                                  |
| 13    | 20                                  | Glass shrimp<br><i>Palaemonetes kadiakensis</i> | 20                                    | -----                                  |
| 12    | 17.7                                | Fathead minnow,<br><i>Pimephales promelas</i>   | 17.7                                  | -----                                  |
| 11    | 12                                  | Damselfly,<br><i>Ischnura verticalis</i>        | 12                                    | -----                                  |
| 10    | 8.6                                 | Goldfish,<br><i>Carassius auratus</i>           | 8.6                                   | -----                                  |
| 9     | 8.5                                 | Pumpkinseed,<br><i>Lepomis gibbosus</i>         | 6.7                                   | -----                                  |
|       |                                     | Bluegill,<br><i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>         | 11.5                                  | -----                                  |
|       |                                     | Green sunfish,<br><i>Lepomis cyanellus</i>      | 8.1                                   | -----                                  |
| 8     | 5                                   | Isopod,<br><i>Asellus brevicaudus</i>           | 5                                     | -----                                  |
| 7     | 4.5                                 | Channel catfish,<br><i>Ictalurus punctatus</i>  | 4.5                                   | -----                                  |
| 6     | 4.5                                 | Guppy,<br><i>Poecilia reticulata</i>            | 4.5                                   | 9.1                                    |

Table G2. (Cont.)

| Rank* | Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species                                     | Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio |
|-------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 5     | 3.5                           | Largemouth bass,<br>Micropterus salmoides   | 3.5                             | -----                            |
| 4     | 0.62**                        | Chinook salmon,<br>Oncorhynchus tshawytscha | 6.1                             | -----                            |
|       |                               | Coho salmon,<br>Oncorhynchus kisutch        | 10.8                            | -----                            |
|       |                               | Cutthroat trout,<br>Oncorhynchus clarki     | 6                               | -----                            |
|       |                               | Rainbow trout,<br>Oncorhynchus mykiss       | 0.62                            | 11                               |
| 3     | 0.6                           | Stonefly,<br>Claassenia sabulosa            | 0.6                             | -----                            |
| 2     | 0.5                           | Stonefly,<br>Pteronarcys californica        | 0.5                             | -----                            |
| 1     | 0.5                           | Stonefly,<br>Pteronarcella badia            | 0.5                             | -----                            |

\* Ranked from most resistant to most sensitive based on Genus Mean Acute Value.

\*\* The GMAV was set equal to the lowest SMAV due to the large range in the SMAVs in this genus.

$$FAV = 0.4749 \text{ ug/L}$$

$$CMC = FAV/2 = 0.2374 \text{ ug/L}$$

$$FACR = 8.530$$

$$FCV = FAV/FACR = (0.4749 \text{ ug/L}) / (8.530) = 0.0557 \text{ ug/L} = CCC$$

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## GREAT LAKES WATER QUALITY INITIATIVE

### Tier 1 Aquatic Life Criterion for Endrin

The new acceptable acute data for endrin are given in Table H1; no new acceptable chronic data were found. These new data were used with those given in Tables 1 and 2 of the criteria document for endrin (U.S. EPA 1980) to obtain the values given in Table H2. Results in the following publications were used in U.S. EPA (1980) but were not considered acceptable for use here: Katz and Chadwick (1961), Naqui and Ferguson (1968), Nebeker and Gaufin (1964), Gaufin et al. (1965), Jensen and Gaufin (1966), Post and Schroeder (1971), Mount (1962), and Solon (1969).

#### Criterion Maximum Concentration (CMC)

The Final Acute Value (FAV) was calculated using the four lowest Genus Mean Acute Values given in Table H2, resulting in a FAV of 0.1728 ug/L. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CMC was calculated by dividing the FAV by 2, resulting in a CMC of 0.0864 ug/L.

#### Criterion Continuous Concentration (CCC)

Insufficient chronic toxicity data were available to calculate a Final Chronic Value (FCV) using the eight-family procedure. Sufficient chronic data were available to calculate a FCV by dividing the FAV by the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio (FACR). Four ACRs were given in U.S. EPA (1980) but the ACR for the fathead minnow was considered unacceptable for use here. ACRs of 1.9 and 18 were determined with saltwater species, whereas an ACR of 3.3 was obtained with a freshwater species (Table H2); the three were within a factor of 9.5. The FACR was calculated as the geometric mean of the other three and was 4.833. The FCV = FAV/FACR =  $(0.1728 \text{ ug/L}) / (4.833) = 0.03575 \text{ ug/L}$ . This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CCC was 0.03575 ug/L.

#### The Criterion

The procedures described in the GLI Tier 1 methodology indicate that, except possibly where a locally important species is very sensitive, aquatic organisms should not be affected unacceptably if the four-day average concentration of endrin does not exceed 0.03575 ug/L more than once every three years on the average and if the one-hour average concentration does not exceed 0.0864 ug/L more than once every three years on the average.

Table H1. New Acute Values for Endrin

| Species                                   | Method* | Test Duration (hrs) | Acute Value (ug/L) | Reference                 |
|-------------------------------------------|---------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| Cladoceran,<br>Ceriodaphnia reticulata    | S,U     | 48                  | 24                 | Elnabarawy et al. 1986    |
| Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia magna              | S,U     | 48                  | 4.2                | Mayer and Ellersieck 1985 |
| Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia magna              | S,U     | 48                  | 59                 | Elnabarawy et al. 1986    |
| Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia magna              | S,U     | 48                  | 41                 | Mayer and Ellersieck 1985 |
| Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia magna              | S,U     | 48                  | 74                 | Mayer and Ellersieck 1985 |
| Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia magna              | S,M     | 48                  | 160                | Thurston et al. 1985      |
| Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia pulex              | S,U     | 48                  | 20                 | Mayer and Ellersieck 1985 |
| Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia pulex              | S,U     | 48                  | 30                 | Elnabarawy et al. 1986    |
| Annelid,<br>Lumbriculus variegatus        | FT,M    | 96                  | 42.6               | U.S. EPA 1991             |
| Snipe fly,<br>Atherix variegatus          | S,U     | 96                  | 4.6                | Mayer and Ellersieck 1985 |
| Midge,<br>Tanytarsus dissimilis           | S,M     | 48                  | 0.84               | Thurston et al. 1985      |
| Stonefly,<br>Acroneuria pacifica          | S,U     | 96                  | > 0.18**           | Mayer and Ellersieck 1985 |
| Crayfish,<br>Orconectes immunis           | FT,M    | 96                  | 89                 | Thurston et al. 1985      |
| Damselfly,<br>Ischnura verticalis         | S,U     | 96                  | 2.4                | Mayer and Ellersieck 1986 |
| Damselfly,<br>Ischnura verticalis         | S,U     | 96                  | 2.1                | Mayer and Ellersieck 1986 |
| Yellow perch,<br>Perca flavescens         | FT,U    | 96                  | 0.15               | Mayer and Ellersieck 1986 |
| Largemouth bass,<br>Micropterus salmoides | S,U     | 96                  | 0.31               | Mayer and Ellersieck 1986 |
| Black bullhead,<br>Ictalurus melas        | S,U     | 96                  | 1.1                | Mayer and Ellersieck 1986 |

Table H1. (Cont.)

| Species                                  | Method* | Test Duration (hrs) | Acute Value (ug/L) | Reference                 |
|------------------------------------------|---------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| Channel catfish,<br>Ictalurus punctatus  | S,U     | 96                  | 0.32***            | Mayer and Ellersieck 1986 |
| Channel catfish,<br>Ictalurus punctatus  | S,U     | 96                  | 1.1***             | Mayer and Ellersieck 1986 |
| Channel catfish,<br>Ictalurus punctatus. | FT,M    | 96                  | 0.42               | Thurston et al. 1985      |
| Rainbow trout,<br>Oncorhynchus mykiss    | S,U     | 96                  | 0.75***            | Mayer and Ellersieck 1986 |
| Rainbow trout,<br>Oncorhynchus mykiss    | FT,M    | 96                  | 0.3                | Thurston et al. 1985      |
| Goldfish,<br>Carassius auratus           | FT,U    | 96                  | 0.44***            | Mayer and Ellersieck 1986 |
| Goldfish,<br>Carassius auratus           | FT,M    | 96                  | 0.95               | Thurston et al. 1985      |
| Fathead minnow,<br>Pimephales promelas   | S,U     | 96                  | 1.8***             | Mayer and Ellersieck 1986 |
| Fathead minnow,<br>Pimephales promelas   | FT,M    | 96                  | 0.65               | Thurston et al. 1985      |
| Mosquitofish,<br>Gambusia affinis        | S,U     | 96                  | 1.1***             | Mayer and Ellersieck 1986 |
| Mosquitofish,<br>Gambusia affinis        | FT,M    | 96                  | 0.69               | Thurston et al. 1985      |
| Carp,<br>Cyprinus carpio                 | FT,U    | 96                  | 0.32               | Mayer and Ellersieck 1986 |
| Bluegill,<br>Lepomis macrochirus         | FT,M    | 96                  | 0.21               | Thurston et al. 1985      |
| Bullfrog tadpole,<br>Rana catesbeiana    | FT,M    | 96                  | 2.5                | Thurston et al. 1985      |

\* FT = flow-through, S = static, U = unmeasured, M = measured.

\*\* Not used in the calculation of the FAV because it is not appropriate to have one of the four lowest GMAVs be a "greater than" value.

\*\*\* Not used in the calculation of the SMAV because data were available for this species from a "FT,M" test.

Table H2. Ranked Genus Mean Acute Values for Endrin

| Rank* | Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species                                          | Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio |
|-------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 27    | 64                            | Mayfly,<br><i>Hexagenia bilineata</i>            | 64                              | -----                            |
| 26    | 53                            | Crayfish,<br><i>Orconectes nais</i>              | 32                              | -----                            |
|       |                               | Crayfish,<br><i>Orconectes immunis</i>           | 89                              | -----                            |
| 25    | 43                            | Annelid,<br><i>Lumbriculus variegatus</i>        | 43                              | -----                            |
| 24    | 38                            | Cladoceran,<br><i>Daphnia magna</i>              | 59                              | -----                            |
|       |                               | Cladoceran,<br><i>Daphnia pulex</i>              | 24                              | -----                            |
| 23    | 34                            | Cladoceran,<br><i>Simocephalus serrulatus</i>    | 34                              | -----                            |
| 22    | 24                            | Cladoceran,<br><i>Ceriodaphnia reticulata</i>    | 24                              | -----                            |
| 21    | 4.6                           | Snipe fly,<br><i>Atherix variegatus</i>          | 4.6                             | -----                            |
| 20    | 3.0                           | Amphipod,<br><i>Gammarus fasciatus</i>           | 3.1                             | -----                            |
|       |                               | Amphipod,<br><i>Gammarus lacustris</i>           | 3.0                             | -----                            |
| 19    | 2.5                           | Bullfrog tadpole<br><i>Rana catesbeiana</i>      | 2.5                             | -----                            |
| 18    | 2.1                           | Damselfly,<br><i>Ischnura verticalis</i>         | 2.1                             | -----                            |
| 17    | 1.6                           | Guppy,<br><i>Poecilia reticulata</i>             | 1.6                             | -----                            |
| 16    | 1.5                           | Isopod,<br><i>Asellus brevicaudus</i>            | 1.5                             | -----                            |
| 15    | 1.3                           | Glass shrimp,<br><i>Palaemonetes kadiakensis</i> | 1.3                             | -----                            |
| 14    | 0.95                          | Goldfish,<br><i>Carassius auratus</i>            | 0.95                            | -----                            |

Table H2. (Cont.)

| Rank* | Genus Mean<br>Acute Value<br>(ug/L) | Species                                            | Species Mean<br>Acute Value<br>(ug/L) | Species Mean<br>Acute-Chronic<br>Ratio |
|-------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| 13    | 0.85                                | Flagfish,<br><i>Jordanella floridae</i>            | 0.85                                  | 3.3                                    |
| 12    | 0.84                                | Midge,<br><i>Tanytarsus dissimilis</i>             | 0.84                                  | -----                                  |
| 11    | 0.76                                | Stonefly,<br><i>Claassenia sabulosa</i>            | 0.76                                  | -----                                  |
| 10    | 0.69                                | Mosquitofish,<br><i>Gambusia affinis</i>           | 0.69                                  | -----                                  |
| 9     | 0.68                                | Black bullhead,<br><i>Ictalurus melas</i>          | 1.1                                   | -----                                  |
|       |                                     | Channel catfish,<br><i>Ictalurus punctatus</i>     | 0.42                                  | -----                                  |
| 8     | 0.57                                | Coho salmon,<br><i>Oncorhynchus kisutch</i>        | 0.51                                  | -----                                  |
|       |                                     | Chinook salmon,<br><i>Oncorhynchus tshawytscha</i> | 1.2                                   | -----                                  |
|       |                                     | Rainbow trout,<br><i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>       | 0.3                                   | -----                                  |
| 7     | 0.54                                | Stonefly,<br><i>Pteronarcella badia</i>            | 0.54                                  | -----                                  |
| 6     | 0.49                                | Fathead minnow,<br><i>Pimephales promelas</i>      | 0.49                                  | -----                                  |
| 5     | 0.32                                | Common carp,<br><i>Cyprinus carpio</i>             | 0.32                                  | -----                                  |
| 4     | 0.31                                | Largemouth bass,<br><i>Micropterus salmoides</i>   | 0.31                                  | -----                                  |
| 3     | 0.25                                | Stonefly,<br><i>Pteronarcys californica</i>        | 0.25                                  | -----                                  |
| 2     | 0.21                                | Bluegill,<br><i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>            | 0.21                                  | -----                                  |
| 1     | 0.15                                | Yellow perch,<br><i>Perca flavescens</i>           | 0.15                                  | -----                                  |

\* Ranked from most resistant to most sensitive based on Genus Mean Acute Value.

FAV = 0.1728 ug/L

CMC = FAV/2 = 0.0864 ug/L

FACR = 4.833

FCV = FAV/FACR = (0.1728 ug/L)/(4.833) = 0.03575 ug/L = CCC

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### Tier 1 Aquatic Life Criterion for Lindane

The new acceptable acute data for lindane are given in Table I1; no new acceptable chronic data were found. These new data were used with those given in Tables 1 and 2 of the criteria document for lindane (U.S. EPA 1980) to obtain the values given in Table I2.

#### Criterion Maximum Concentration (CMC)

The Final Acute Value (FAV) was calculated using the four lowest Genus Mean Acute Values given in Table I2, resulting in a FAV of 1.903 ug/L. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CMC was calculated by dividing the FAV by 2, resulting in a CMC of 0.9515 ug/L.

#### Criterion Continuous Concentration (CCC)

Three ACRs were given in U.S. EPA (1980) but the ACR for the fathead minnow was considered unacceptable for use here. No new ACRs were available and so a FCV could not be calculated using either the eight-family procedure or the FACR procedure. Therefore, a CCC could not be determined.

#### The Criterion

The procedures described in the GLI Tier 1 methodology indicate that, except possibly where a locally important species is very sensitive, aquatic organisms should not be affected unacceptably by acute toxicity if the one-hour average concentration of lindane does not exceed 0.9515 ug/L more than once every three years on the average.

Table II. New Acute Values for Lindane

| Species                                  | Method* | Test Duration (hrs) | Acute Value (ug/L) | Reference                    |
|------------------------------------------|---------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia magna             | S,U     | 48                  | 516                | Randall<br>et al. 1979       |
| Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia magna             | S,M     | 48                  | 1000               | Hermens<br>et al. 1984       |
| Amphipod,<br>Gammarus lacustris          | S,U     | 96                  | 88                 | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck 1986 |
| Snail,<br>Lymnaea stagnalis              | S,U     | 96                  | 3.3                | Bluzat and<br>Senge 1979     |
| Stonefly,<br>Pteronarcys californicus    | S,U     | 96                  | 4.5                | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck 1986 |
| Stonefly,<br>Pteronarcys californicus    | S,U     | 96                  | 1                  | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck 1986 |
| Damselfly,<br>Lestes congener            | S,U     | 96                  | 20                 | Federle and<br>Collins 1976  |
| Backswimmer,<br>Notonecta undulata       | S,U     | 96                  | 3                  | Federle and<br>Collins 1976  |
| Crawling water beetle,<br>Peltodytes sp. | S,U     | 96                  | 20                 | Federle and<br>Collins 1976  |
| Coho salmon,<br>Oncorhynchus kisutch     | S,U     | 96                  | 23                 | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck 1986 |
| Lake trout,<br>Salvelinus namaycush      | S,U     | 96                  | 32                 | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck 1986 |
| Lake trout,<br>Salvelinus namaycush      | S,U     | 96                  | 24                 | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck 1986 |
| Brown trout,<br>Salmo trutta             | S,U     | 96                  | 24                 | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck 1986 |
| Brown trout,<br>Salmo trutta             | S,U     | 96                  | 25                 | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck 1986 |
| Brown trout,<br>Salmo trutta             | FT,U    | 96                  | 22                 | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck 1986 |
| Rainbow trout,<br>Oncorhynchus mykiss    | FT,M    | 96                  | 22                 | Tooby and<br>Durbin 1975     |
| Rainbow trout,<br>Oncorhynchus mykiss    | S,U     | 96                  | 18**               | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck 1986 |
| Rainbow trout,<br>Oncorhynchus mykiss    | S,U     | 96                  | 24**               | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck 1986 |

Table II. (Cont).

| Species                                              | Method* | Test Duration (hrs) | Acute Value (ug/L) | Reference                     |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| Rainbow trout,<br><i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>         | S,U     | 96                  | 31**               | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck 1986  |
| Rainbow trout,<br><i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>         | S,U     | 96                  | 41**               | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck 1986  |
| Rainbow trout,<br><i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>         | FT,M    | 96                  | 30                 | Tooby and<br>Durbin 1975      |
| Bluegill,<br><i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>              | S,U     | 96                  | 57                 | Randall<br>et al. 1979        |
| Bluegill,<br><i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>              | S,U     | 96                  | 56                 | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck 1986  |
| Green sunfish,<br><i>Lepomis cyanellus</i>           | S,U     | 96                  | 70                 | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck, 1986 |
| Green sunfish,<br><i>Lepomis cyanellus</i>           | S,U     | 96                  | 83                 | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck 1986  |
| Yellow perch,<br><i>Perca flavescens</i>             | FT,U    | 96                  | 23                 | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck 1986  |
| Fathead minnow,<br><i>Pimephales promelas</i>        | FT,U    | 96                  | 77                 | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck 1986  |
| Fathead minnow,<br><i>Pimephales promelas</i>        | S,U     | 96                  | 67                 | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck 1986  |
| Fathead minnow,<br><i>Pimephales promelas</i>        | S,U     | 96                  | 86                 | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck 1986  |
| Goldfish,<br><i>Carassius auratus</i>                | S,U     | 96                  | 90                 | Macek and<br>McAllister 1970  |
| Goldfish,<br><i>Carassius auratus</i>                | S,U     | 96                  | 105                | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck 1986  |
| Channel catfish,<br><i>Ictalurus punctatus</i>       | S,U     | 96                  | 49                 | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck 1986  |
| Fowlers toad,<br><i>Bufo woodhousei fowleri</i>      | S,U     | 96                  | 3200               | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck 1986  |
| Western chorus frog,<br><i>Pseudacris triseriata</i> | S,U     | 96                  | 2650               | Mayer and<br>Ellersieck 1986  |

\* S = static, FT = flow-through, U = unmeasured, M = measured.

\*\* Not used in the calculation of the SMAV because data were available for this species from a "FT,M" test.

Table I2. Ranked Genus Mean Acute Values for Lindane

| Rank* | Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species                                       | Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio |
|-------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 23    | 3200                          | Fowlers toad,<br>Bufo woodhousi fowleri       | 3200                            | -----                            |
| 22    | 2650                          | Western chorus frog,<br>Pseudacris triseriata | 2650                            | -----                            |
| 21    | 676                           | Cladoceran,<br>Simocephalus serrulatus        | 676                             | -----                            |
| 20    | 538                           | Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia magna                  | 630                             | 33                               |
|       |                               | Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia pulex                  | 460                             | -----                            |
| 19    | 207                           | Midge,<br>Chironomus tentans                  | 207                             | 63                               |
| 18    | 138                           | Guppy,<br>Poecilia reticulata                 | 138                             | -----                            |
| 17    | 117                           | Goldfish,<br>Carassius auratus                | 117                             | -----                            |
| 16    | 90                            | Carp,<br>Cyprinus carpio                      | 90                              | -----                            |
| 15    | 72                            | Fathead minnow,<br>Pimephales promelas        | 72                              | -----                            |
| 14    | 71                            | Bluegill,<br>Lepomis macrochirus              | 56                              | -----                            |
|       |                               | Redear sunfish,<br>Lepomis microlophus        | 83                              | -----                            |
|       |                               | Green sunfish,<br>Lepomis cyanellus           | 76                              | -----                            |
| 13    | 55                            | Channel catfish,<br>Ictalurus punctatus       | 46                              | -----                            |
|       |                               | Black bullhead,<br>Ictalurus melas            | 64                              | -----                            |
| 12    | 40                            | Yellow perch,<br>Perca flavescens             | 40                              | -----                            |
| 11    | 35                            | Brook trout,<br>Salvelinus fontinalis         | 44                              | -----                            |
|       |                               | Lake trout,<br>Salvelinus namaycush           | 28                              | -----                            |

Table I2. (Cont.)

| Rank* | Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species                                           | Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio |
|-------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 10    | 33                            | Rainbow trout,<br><i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>      | 26                              | -----                            |
|       |                               | Coho salmon,<br><i>Oncorhynchus kisutch</i>       | 36                              | -----                            |
|       |                               | Chinook salmon,<br><i>Oncorhynchus tsawytscha</i> | 40                              | -----                            |
| 9     | 32                            | Largemouth bass,<br><i>Micropterus salmoides</i>  | 32                              | -----                            |
| 8     | 26.11                         | Amphipod,<br><i>Gammarus fasciatus</i>            | 10.49                           | -----                            |
|       |                               | Amphipod,<br><i>Gammarus lacustris</i>            | 65                              | -----                            |
| 7     | 20                            | Damselfly,<br><i>Lestes congener</i>              | 20                              | -----                            |
| 6     | 20                            | Crawling water beetle,<br><i>Peltodytes</i> sp.   | 20                              | -----                            |
| 5     | 13                            | Brown trout,<br><i>Salmo trutta</i>               | 13                              | -----                            |
| 4     | 10                            | Isopod,<br><i>Asellus brevicaudus</i>             | 10                              | -----                            |
| 3     | 3.3                           | Snail,<br><i>Lymnaea stagnalis</i>                | 3.3                             | -----                            |
| 2     | 3                             | Backswimmer,<br><i>Notonecta undulata</i>         | 3                               | -----                            |
| 1     | 2.1                           | Stonefly,<br><i>Pteronarcys californicus</i>      | 2.1                             | -----                            |

\* Ranked from most resistant to most sensitive based on Genus Mean Acute Value.

FAV = 1.903 ug/L

CMC = FAV/2 = 0.9515 ug/L

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### Tier 1 Aquatic Life Criterion for Mercury(II)

The new acceptable acute data for mercury(II) are given in Table J1; no new chronic data were used. These new data were used with those given in Tables 1 and 2 of the criteria document for mercury(II) (U.S. EPA 1985) to obtain the values given in Table J2.

#### Criterion Maximum Concentration (CMC)

The Final Acute Value (FAV) was calculated using the four lowest Genus Mean Acute Values given in Table J2, resulting in a FAV of 3.388 ug/L. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CMC was calculated by dividing the FAV by 2, resulting in a CMC of 1.694 ug/L as total recoverable mercury(II).

#### Criterion Continuous Concentration (CCC)

Insufficient chronic toxicity data were available to calculate a Final Chronic Value (FCV) using the eight-family procedure. Sufficient chronic data were available to calculate a FCV by dividing the FAV by the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio (FACR). ACRs were given for two freshwater species and one saltwater species in U.S. EPA (1985). The ACR obtained with the more resistant fathead minnow was much higher than the other two. The ACR obtained with the saltwater mysid was 3.095 and was similar to the Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio of 4.498 for *Daphnia magna*. The FACR was calculated as the geometric mean of the two SMACRs and was 3.731. The FCV = FAV/FACR = (3.388 ug/L)/(3.731) = 0.9081 ug/L. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CCC was 0.9081 ug/L as total recoverable mercury(II).

#### The Criterion

The procedures described in the GLI Tier 1 methodology indicate that, except possibly where a locally important species is very sensitive, aquatic organisms should not be affected unacceptably if the four-day average concentration of mercury(II) does not exceed 0.9081 ug/L more than once every three years on the average and if the one-hour average concentration does not exceed 1.694 ug/L more than once every three years on the average.

Table J1. New Acute Values for Mercury(II)

| Species                                 | Method* | Acute Value (ug/L) | Reference                |
|-----------------------------------------|---------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Cladoceran,<br>Ceriodaphnia reticulata  | S,U     | 2.9                | Elnabarawy et al. 1986   |
| Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia magna,           | S,U     | 9.6                | Elnabarawy et al. 1986   |
| Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia pulex            | S,U     | 3.8                | Elnabarawy et al. 1986   |
| Amphipod,<br>Crangonyx pseudogracilis   | S,U     | 1.0**              | Martin and Holdich 1986  |
| Midge,<br>Chironomus riparius           | S,M     | 750                | Rossaro et al. 1986      |
| Mosquitofish,<br>Gambusia affinis       | S,U     | 230                | Paulose 1988             |
| Walking catfish,<br>Clarias batrachus   | S,U     | 375                | Kirubakaran and Joy 1988 |
| Fathead minnow,<br>Pimephales promelas. | FT,M    | 172                | Spehar and Fiandt 1986   |
| Guppy,<br>Poecilia reticulata           | R,U     | 26                 | Khangarot and Ray 1987   |

\* S = static, R = renewal, FT = flow-through, U = unmeasured, M = measured.

\*\* Not used in the derivation of the criterion because the corresponding 48-hr LC50 is 470 ug/L, which is an unusually large decrease in the LC50 from 48 to 96 hours.

Table J2. Ranked Genus Mean Acute Values for Mercury (II)

| Rank* | Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species                                             | Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio |
|-------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 29    | 2000                          | Stonefly,<br><i>Acroneuria lycorias</i>             | 2000                            | -----                            |
| 28    | 2000                          | Mayfly,<br><i>Ephemerella subvaria</i>              | 2000                            | -----                            |
| 27    | 2000                          | Caddisfly,<br><i>Hydropsyche betteni</i>            | 2000                            | -----                            |
| 26    | 1200                          | Caddisfly,<br>(Unidentified)                        | 1200                            | -----                            |
| 25    | 1200                          | Damselfly,<br>(Unidentified)                        | 1200                            | -----                            |
| 24    | 1000                          | Worm,<br><i>Nais</i> sp.                            | 1000                            | -----                            |
| 23    | 1000                          | Mozambique tilapia<br><i>Tilapia mossambica</i>     | 1000                            | -----                            |
| 22    | 406.2                         | Tubificid worm,<br><i>Spirosperma ferox</i>         | 330                             | -----                            |
|       |                               | Tubificid worm,<br><i>Spirosperma nikolskyi</i>     | 500                             | -----                            |
| 21    | 375                           | Walking catfish,<br><i>Clarias batrachus</i>        | 375                             | -----                            |
| 20    | 370                           | Snail,<br><i>Aplexa hypnorum</i>                    | 370                             | -----                            |
| 19    | 257                           | Coho salmon,<br><i>Oncorhynchus kisutch</i>         | 240                             | -----                            |
|       |                               | Rainbow trout,<br><i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>        | 275                             | -----                            |
| 18    | 250                           | Tubificid worm,<br><i>Quistadrilus multisetosus</i> | 250                             | -----                            |
| 17    | 240                           | Tubificid worm,<br><i>Rhyacodrilus montana</i>      | 240                             | -----                            |
| 16    | 203                           | Mosquitofish,<br><i>Gambusia affinis</i>            | 203                             | -----                            |
| 15    | 180                           | Tubificid worm,<br><i>Limnodrilus hoffmeisteri</i>  | 180                             | -----                            |

Table J2. (Cont.)

| Rank* | Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species                                           | Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio |
|-------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 14    | 163                           | Fathead minnow,<br><i>Pimephales promelas</i>     | 163                             | > 649.2**                        |
| 13    | 160                           | Bluegill,<br><i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>           | 160                             | -----                            |
| 12    | 140                           | Tubificid worm,<br><i>Tubifex tubifex</i>         | 140                             | -----                            |
| 11    | 140                           | Tubificid worm,<br><i>Stylodrilus heringianus</i> | 140                             | -----                            |
| 10    | 122***                        | Midge,<br><i>Chironomus</i> sp.                   | 20                              | -----                            |
|       |                               | Midge,<br><i>Chironomus riparius</i>              | 750                             | -----                            |
| 9     | 100                           | Tubificid worm,<br><i>Varichaeta pacifica</i>     | 100                             | -----                            |
| 8     | 80                            | Tubificid worm,<br><i>Branchiura sowerbyi</i>     | 80                              | -----                            |
| 7     | 80                            | Snail,<br><i>Amnicola</i> sp.                     | 80                              | -----                            |
| 6     | 50                            | Crayfish,<br><i>Orconectes limosus</i>            | 50                              | -----                            |
| 5     | 28                            | Guppy,<br><i>Poecilia reticulata</i>              | 28                              | -----                            |
| 4     | 20                            | Crayfish,<br><i>Faxonella clypeatus</i>           | 20                              | -----                            |
| 3     | 10                            | Amphipod,<br><i>Gammarus</i> sp.                  | 10                              | -----                            |
| 2     | 3.3                           | Cladoceran,<br><i>Daphnia magna</i>               | 3.7                             | 4.498                            |
|       |                               | Cladoceran,<br><i>Daphnia pulex</i>               | 2.9                             | -----                            |
| 1     | 2.9                           | Cladoceran,<br><i>Ceriodaphnia reticulata</i>     | 2.9                             | -----                            |

\* Ranked from most resistant to most sensitive based on Genus Mean Acute Value.

\*\* Not used in the calculation of the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio.

\*\*\* This GMAV was not set equal to the lowest SMAV because the species was not identified.

$$\text{FAV} = 3.388 \text{ ug/L}$$

$$\text{CMC} = \text{FAV}/2 = 1.694 \text{ ug/L}$$

$$\text{FACR} = 3.731$$

$$\text{FCV} = \text{FAV}/\text{FACR} = (3.388 \text{ ug/L}) / (3.731) = 0.9081 \text{ ug/L} = \text{CCC}$$

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### Tier 1 Aquatic Life Criterion for Nickel

The new acceptable acute data for nickel are given in Table K1; no new acceptable chronic data were found. These data were used with those given in Tables 1 and 2 of the criteria document for nickel (U.S. EPA 1986) to obtain the values given in Table K2. Some of the SMAVs in Table K2 differ from those given in Table 3 in U.S. EPA (1986) because preference was given to "FT,M" tests in Table K2. Because the toxicity of nickel is hardness-dependent, all acute values in Table K2 have been adjusted to a hardness of 50 mg/L.

#### Criterion Maximum Concentration (CMC)

The Final Acute Value (FAV) was calculated using the four lowest Genus Mean Acute Values in Table K2, resulting in an FAV of 522 ug/L at a hardness of 50 mg/L. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CMC was calculated by dividing the FAV by 2, resulting in a CMC of 261 ug/L, as total recoverable nickel, at a hardness of 50 mg/L. The CMC was related to hardness using the slope of 0.846 that was derived in U.S. EPA (1986):

$$\text{CMC} = e^{0.846 (\ln \text{hardness}) + 2.255}$$

#### Criterion Continuous Concentration (CCC)

Insufficient chronic toxicity data were available to calculate a Final Chronic Value (FCV) using the eight-family procedure. Sufficient chronic data were available to calculate a FCV by dividing the FAV by the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio (FACR). SMACRs were available for two freshwater species and one saltwater species (U.S. EPA 1986). The saltwater ACR was 5.478 and the three are within a factor of 6.5. The FACR was calculated as the geometric mean of the three ACRs and was 17.99. The FCV = FAV/FACR = (522 ug/L)/(17.99) = 29.02 ug/L at a hardness of 50 mg/L. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. Thus the CCC was 29.02 ug/L, as total recoverable nickel, at a hardness of 50 mg/L. The CCC was related to hardness using the slope of 0.846:

$$\text{CCC} = e^{0.846 (\ln \text{hardness}) + 0.0584}$$

The Criterion

The procedures described in the GLI tier 1 methodology indicate that, except possibly where a locally important species is very sensitive, aquatic organisms should not be affected unacceptably if the four-day average concentration of nickel does not exceed the numerical value (in ug/L) given by the equation

$$CCC = e^{0.846 (\ln \text{hardness}) + 0.0584}$$

more than once every three years on the average and if the one-hour average concentration does not exceed the numerical value (in ug/L) given by the equation

$$CMC = e^{0.846 (\ln \text{hardness}) + 2.255}$$

more than once every three years on the average.

Table K1. New Acute Values for Nickel

| Species                                              | Method* | Hardness<br>(mg/L as<br>CaCO <sub>3</sub> ) | Acute<br>Value<br>(ug/L) | Adjusted<br>Acute<br>Value<br>(ug/L)** | Reference                     |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Snail,<br><i>Physa gyrina</i>                        | FT,U    | 26                                          | 239                      | 416                                    | Nebeker<br>et al. 1986        |
| Amphipod,<br><i>Crangonyx pseudogracilis</i>         | S,U     | 50                                          | 66,100                   | 66,100                                 | Martin and<br>Holdich 1986    |
| Midge, (1st instar)<br><i>Chironomus riparis</i>     | S,U     | 55                                          | 72,400                   | 66,791                                 | Powlesland and<br>George 1986 |
| Midge, (1st instar)<br><i>Chironomus riparis</i>     | S,U     | 55                                          | 81,300                   | 75,002                                 | Powlesland and<br>George 1986 |
| Midge, (1st instar)<br><i>Chironomus riparis</i>     | S,U     | 55                                          | 84,900                   | 78,323                                 | Powlesland and<br>George 1986 |
| Midge, (2nd instar)<br><i>Chironomus riparis</i> *** | S,U     | 55                                          | 184,000                  | 169,746                                | Powlesland and<br>George 1986 |
| Midge, (2nd instar)<br><i>Chironomus riparis</i> *** | S,U     | 55                                          | 150,000                  | 138,380                                | Powlesland and<br>George 1986 |
| Midge, (2nd instar)<br><i>Chironomus riparis</i> *** | S,U     | 55                                          | 174,000                  | 160,521                                | Powlesland and<br>George 1986 |

\* S = static, FT = flow-through, U = unmeasured.

\*\* Adjusted to a hardness of 50 mg/L using a slope of 0.846.

\*\*\* Not used in the calculation of the SMAV because data were available for a more sensitive life stage.

Table K2. Ranked Genus Mean Acute Values for Nickel

| Rank* | Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L)** | Species                                 | Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L)** | Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio |
|-------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 21    | 73208                           | Midge,<br>Chironomus riparis            | 73208                             | -----                            |
| 20    | 66100                           | Amphipod,<br>Crangonyx pseudogracilis   | 66100                             | -----                            |
| 19    | 43250                           | Banded killifish,<br>Fundulus diaphanus | 43250                             | -----                            |
| 18    | 40460                           | Stonefly,<br>Acroneuria lycorias        | 40460                             | -----                            |
| 17    | 30200                           | Caddisfly<br>Unidentified sp.           | 30200                             | -----                            |
| 16    | 21320                           | Goldfish,<br>Carassius auratus          | 21320                             | -----                            |
| 15    | 21200                           | Damselfly,<br>Unidentified sp.          | 21200                             | -----                            |
| 14    | 14100                           | Worm,<br>Nais sp.                       | 14100                             | -----                            |
| 13    | 13380                           | Rainbow trout,<br>Oncorhynchus mykiss   | 13380                             | -----                            |
| 12    | 13000                           | Amphipod,<br>Gammarus sp.               | 13000                             | -----                            |
| 11    | 12770                           | Snail,<br>Amnicola sp.                  | 12770                             | -----                            |
| 10    | 12756                           | Pumpkinseed,<br>Lepomis gibbosus        | 7544                              | -----                            |
|       |                                 | Bluegill,<br>Lepomis macrochirus        | 21570                             | -----                            |
| 9     | 12180                           | American eel,<br>Anguilla rostrata      | 12180                             | -----                            |
| 8     | 9839                            | Common carp,<br>Cyprinus carpio         | 9839                              | -----                            |
| 7     | 9661                            | Guppy,<br>Poecilia reticulata           | 9661                              | -----                            |
| 6     | 8697                            | White perch,<br>Morone americana        | 12790                             | -----                            |
|       |                                 | Striped bass,<br>Morone saxatilis       | 5914                              | -----                            |

Table K2. (Cont.)

| Rank* | Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L)** | Species                                | Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L)** | Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio |
|-------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 5     | 6707                            | Fathead minnow,<br>Pimephales promelas | 6707                              | 35.58                            |
| 4     | 4636                            | Mayfly,<br>Ephemerella subvaria        | 4636                              | -----                            |
| 3     | 4312                            | Rock bass,<br>Ambloplites rupestris    | 4312                              | -----                            |
| 2     | 1500                            | Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia pulicaria       | 2042                              | -----                            |
|       |                                 | Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia magna           | 1102                              | 29.86                            |
| 1     | 416                             | Snail,<br>Physa gyrina                 | 416                               | -----                            |

\* Ranked from most resistant to most sensitive based on Genus Mean Acute Value.

\*\* At hardness = 50 mg/L.

At hardness = 50 mg/L:

FAV = 522 ug/L

CMC = FAV/2 = 261 ug/L

As a function of hardness:

$$CMC = e^{0.846 (\ln \text{hardness}) + 2.255}$$

FACR = 17.99

At hardness = 50 mg/L:

FCV = FAV/FACR = (522 ug/L)/(17.99) = 29.02 ug/L = CCC

As a function of hardness:

$$CCC = e^{0.846 (\ln \text{hardness}) + 0.0584}$$

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### Tier 1 Aquatic Life Criterion for Parathion

No new acceptable acute or chronic data for parathion were found. Therefore, the data given in Tables 1 and 2 of the criteria document for parathion (U.S. EPA 1985) were used to obtain the values given in Table L1.

#### Criterion Maximum Concentration (CMC)

Some of the Genus Mean Acute Values given in Table 3 of U.S. EPA (1985) were changed because of the new taxonomy for salmonids and because only one value was calculated for the genus Chironomus; these changes did not affect the FAV. The Final Acute Value (FAV) was calculated using the four lowest Genus Mean Acute Values given in Table L1, resulting in a FAV of 0.1299 ug/L. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CMC was calculated by dividing the FAV by 2, resulting in a CMC of 0.06495 ug/L.

#### Criterion Continuous Concentration (CCC)

Insufficient chronic toxicity data were available to calculate a Final Chronic Value (FCV) using the eight-family procedure. Sufficient chronic data were available to calculate a FCV by dividing the FAV by the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio (FACR). Three Species Mean ACRs were available (Table L1). The ACRs obtained with the resistant fishes were much higher than that obtained with the sensitive cladoceran. To make the FACR appropriate for sensitive species, it was set equal to the ACR of 10.10 obtained with the cladoceran. The FCV = FAV/FACR = (0.1299 ug/L)/(10.10) = 0.01286 ug/L. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CCC was 0.01286 ug/L.

#### The Criterion

The procedures described in the GLI Tier 1 methodology indicate that, except possibly where a locally important species is very sensitive, aquatic organisms should not be affected unacceptably if the four-day average concentration of parathion does not exceed 0.01286 ug/L more than once every three years on the average and if the one-hour average concentration does not exceed 0.06495 ug/L more than once every three years on the average.

Table L1. Ranked Genus Mean Acute Values for Parathion

| Rank* | Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species                                       | Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio |
|-------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 31    | 5,230                         | Tubificid worm,<br>Tubifex sp.                | 5,230                           | -----                            |
| 30    | 5,230                         | Tubificid worm,<br>Limnodrilus sp.            | 5,230                           | -----                            |
| 29    | 2,650                         | Channel catfish,<br>Ictalurus punctatus       | 2,650                           | -----                            |
| 28    | 2,223                         | Goldfish,<br>Carassius auratus                | 2,223                           | -----                            |
| 27    | 1,838                         | Brook trout,<br>Salvelinus fontinalis         | 1,760                           | -----                            |
|       |                               | Lake trout<br>Salvelinus namaycush            | 1,920                           | -----                            |
| 26    | 1,510                         | Brown trout,<br>Salmo trutta                  | 1,510                           | -----                            |
| 25    | 1,486                         | Cutthroat trout,<br>Oncorhynchus clarki       | 1,560                           | -----                            |
|       |                               | Rainbow trout,<br>Oncorhynchus gairdneri      | 1,415                           | -----                            |
| 24    | 1,130                         | Isopod,<br>Asellus brevicaudus                | 1,130                           | -----                            |
| 23    | 1,000                         | Western chorus frog,<br>Pseudacris triseriata | 1,000                           | -----                            |
| 22    | 839.6                         | Fathead minnow,<br>Pimephales promelas        | 839.6                           | 79.45**                          |
| 21    | 688.7                         | Green sunfish,<br>Lepomis cyanellus           | 930                             | -----                            |
|       |                               | Bluegill,<br>Lepomis macrochirus              | 510                             | 2121**                           |
| 20    | 620                           | Largemouth bass,<br>Micropterus salmoides     | 620                             | -----                            |
| 19    | 320                           | Mosquitofish,<br>Gambusia affinis             | 320                             | -----                            |
| 18    | <250                          | Crayfish,<br>Procambarus sp.                  | <250                            | -----                            |
| 17    | 56                            | Guppy,<br>Poecilia reticulata                 | 56                              | -----                            |

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Table L1. (Cont.)

| Rank* | Genus Mean<br>Acute Value<br>(ug/L) | Species                                       | Species Mean<br>Acute Value<br>(ug/L) | Species Mean<br>Acute-Chronic<br>Ratio |
|-------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| 16    | 15                                  | Mayfly,<br><i>Hexagenia bilineata</i>         | 15                                    | -----                                  |
| 15    | 7.0                                 | Beetle,<br><i>Peltodytes</i> spp.             | 7.0                                   | -----                                  |
| 14    | 5.4                                 | Stonefly,<br><i>Pteronarcys californica</i>   | 5.4                                   | -----                                  |
| 13    | 4.2                                 | Stonefly,<br><i>Pteronarcella badia</i>       | 4.2                                   | -----                                  |
| 12    | 3.0                                 | Damselfly,<br><i>Lestes congener</i>          | 3.0                                   | -----                                  |
| 11    | 2.9                                 | Stonefly,<br><i>Acroneuria pacifica</i>       | 2.9                                   | -----                                  |
| 10    | 2.739                               | Prawn,<br><i>Palaemonetes kadiakensis</i>     | 2.739                                 | -----                                  |
| 9     | 2.227                               | Mayfly,<br><i>Cloeon dipterum</i>             | 2.227                                 | -----                                  |
| 8     | 1.697***                            | Midge,<br><i>Chironomus tentans</i>           | 31                                    | -----                                  |
|       |                                     | Midge,<br><i>Chironomus riparius</i>          | 1.697                                 | -----                                  |
| 7     | 1.5                                 | Stonefly,<br><i>Claassenia sabulosa</i>       | 1.5                                   | -----                                  |
| 6     | 1.127                               | Amphipod,<br><i>Gammarus fasciatus</i>        | 0.3628                                | -----                                  |
|       |                                     | Amphipod,<br><i>Gammarus lacustris</i>        | 3.5                                   | -----                                  |
| 5     | 0.8944                              | Phantom midge,<br><i>Chaoborus</i> sp.        | 0.8944                                | -----                                  |
| 4     | 0.7746                              | Cladoceran,<br><i>Daphnia magna</i>           | 1.0                                   | 10.10                                  |
|       |                                     | Cladoceran,<br><i>Daphnia pulex</i>           | 0.60                                  | -----                                  |
| 3     | 0.64                                | Damselfly,<br><i>Ischnura verticalis</i>      | 0.64                                  | -----                                  |
| 2     | 0.47                                | Cladoceran,<br><i>Simocephalus serrulatus</i> | 0.47                                  | -----                                  |

Table L1. (Cont.)

| Rank* | Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species                          | Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio |
|-------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1     | 0.04                          | Crayfish, <i>Orconectes nais</i> | 0.04                            | -----                            |

- \* Ranked from most resistant to most sensitive based on Genus Mean Acute Value.
- \*\* Not used in the calculation of the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio.
- \*\*\* This GMAV was set equal to the lower SMAV due to the large range in the SMAVs in this genus.

$FAV = 0.1299 \text{ ug/L}$

$CMC = FAV/2 = 0.06495 \text{ ug/L}$

$FACR = 10.10$

$FCV = FAV/FACR = (0.1299 \text{ ug/L}) / (10.10) = 0.01286 \text{ ug/L} = CCC$

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### Tier 1 Aquatic Life Criterion for Pentachlorophenol

No new acceptable acute or chronic data for pentachlorophenol were found. Therefore, the data given in Tables 1 and 2 of the criteria document for pentachlorophenol (U.S. EPA 1986) were used to obtain the values given in Table M1. Because the toxicity of pentachlorophenol is pH-dependent, all acute values in Table M1 have been adjusted to a pH of 6.5.

#### Criterion Maximum Concentration (CMC)

Some of the Genus Mean Acute Values given in Table 3 of U.S. EPA (1985) were changed because of the new taxonomy for salmonids and because the values for *Jordanella floridae* and *Rana catesbeiana* had been incorrectly adjusted to a pH of 6.5 and because the SMAV for *Gammarus pseudolimnaeus* had been calculated incorrectly. The Final Acute Value (FAV) was calculated using the four lowest Genus Mean Acute Values given in Table M1, resulting in a FAV of 10.56 ug/L at a pH of 6.5. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CMC was calculated by dividing the FAV by 2, resulting in a CMC of 5.28 ug/L at a pH of 6.5. The CMC was related to pH using the slope of 1.005 that was derived in U.S. EPA (1986):

$$\text{CMC} = e^{1.005 (\text{pH}) - 4.869}$$

#### Criterion Continuous Concentration (CCC)

Insufficient chronic toxicity data were available to calculate a Final Chronic Value (FCV) using the eight-family procedure. Sufficient chronic data were available to calculate a FCV by dividing the FAV by the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio (FACR). Six Species Mean ACRs were available (Table M1), but two of them were "greater than" values. The range of the other four was less than a factor of 6. The FACR was calculated as the geometric mean of the four similar SMACRs and was 2.608. The FCV = FAV/FACR = (10.56 ug/L)/(2.608) = 4.049 ug/L at a pH of 6.5. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CCC was 4.049 ug/L at a pH of 6.5. The CCC was related to pH using the slope of 1.005:

$$\text{CCC} = e^{1.005 (\text{pH}) - 5.134}$$

### The Criterion

The procedures described in the GLI Tier 1 methodology indicate that, except possibly where a locally important species is very sensitive, aquatic organisms should not be affected unacceptably if the four-day average concentration of pentachlorophenol does not exceed the numerical value (in ug/L) given by the equation

$$CCC = e^{1.005(\text{pH}) - 5.134}$$

more than once every three years on the average and if the one-hour average concentration does not exceed the numerical value (in ug/L) given by the equation

$$CMC = e^{1.005(\text{pH}) - 4.869}$$

more than once every three years on the average.

Table M1. Ranked Genus Mean Acute Values for Pentachlorophenol

| Rank* | Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L)** | Species                                             | Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L)** | Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio |
|-------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 32    | >43920                          | Crayfish,<br><i>Orconectes immunis</i>              | >43920                            | -----                            |
| 31    | 11260                           | Midge,<br><i>Tanytarsus dissimilis</i>              | 11260                             | -----                            |
| 30    | 10610                           | Sciomyzid,<br><i>Sepedon fuscipennis</i>            | 10610                             | -----                            |
| 29    | 417.7                           | Tubificid worm,<br><i>Rhyacodrilus montana</i>      | 417.7                             | -----                            |
| 28    | 408.2                           | Tubificid worm,<br><i>Stylodrilus heringianus</i>   | 408.2                             | -----                            |
| 27    | 403.2                           | Snail,<br><i>Gilila altilis</i>                     | 403.2                             | -----                            |
| 26    | 361.6                           | Tubificid worm,<br><i>Spirosperma ferox</i>         | 239.5                             | -----                            |
|       |                                 | Tubificid worm,<br><i>Spirosperma nikoiskyl</i>     | 545.8                             | -----                            |
| 25    | 317.5                           | Tubificid worm,<br><i>Quistadrilus multisetosus</i> | 317.5                             | -----                            |
| 24    | 306.7                           | Flagfish,<br><i>Jordanella floridae</i>             | 306.7                             | -----                            |
| 23    | 224.2                           | Tubificid worm,<br><i>Tubifex tubifex</i>           | 224.2                             | -----                            |
| 22    | 195.4                           | Guppy,<br><i>Poecilia reticulata</i>                | 195.4                             | -----                            |
| 21    | 182.5                           | Tubificid worm,<br><i>Limnodrilus hoffmeisteri</i>  | 182.5                             | -----                            |
| 20    | 172.1                           | Amphipod,<br><i>Crangonyx pseudogracilis</i>        | 172.1                             | -----                            |
| 19    | 155.9                           | Tubificid worm,<br><i>Branchiura sowerbyi</i>       | 155.9                             | -----                            |
| 18    | 132.1                           | Snail,<br><i>Physa gyrina</i>                       | 132.1                             | >10.27***                        |

Table M1. (Cont.)

| Rank* | Genus Mean<br>Acute Value<br>(ug/L)** | Species                                          | Species Mean<br>Acute Value<br>(ug/L)** | Species Mean<br>Acute-Chronic<br>Ratio |
|-------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| 17    | 105.0                                 | Largemouth bass,<br><i>Micropterus salmoides</i> | 105.0                                   | -----                                  |
| 16    | 91.48                                 | Amphipod,<br><i>Gammarus pseudolimnaeus</i>      | 91.48                                   | -----                                  |
| 15    | 87.48                                 | Amphipod,<br><i>Hyalella azteca</i>              | 87.48                                   | -----                                  |
| 14    | 78.10                                 | Cladoceran,<br><i>Daphnia pulex</i>              | 90.83                                   | -----                                  |
|       |                                       | Cladoceran,<br><i>Daphnia magna</i>              | 67.15                                   | 2.5                                    |
| 13    | 67.13                                 | Cladoceran,<br><i>Ceriodaphnia reticulata</i>    | 67.13                                   | >15.79***                              |
| 12    | 65.53                                 | Goldfish,<br><i>Carassius auratus</i>            | 65.53                                   | -----                                  |
| 11    | 63.11                                 | Fathead minnow,<br><i>Pimephales promelas</i>    | 63.11                                   | 4.535                                  |
| 10    | 60.50                                 | Mosquitofish,<br><i>Gambusia affinis</i>         | 60.50                                   | -----                                  |
| 9     | 60.43                                 | Snail,<br><i>Aplexa hypnorum</i>                 | 60.43                                   | -----                                  |
| 8     | 58.47                                 | Tubificid worm,<br><i>Varichaeta pacifica</i>    | 58.47                                   | -----                                  |
| 7     | 57.72                                 | Cladoceran,<br><i>Simocephalus vetulus</i>       | 57.72                                   | 0.8945                                 |
| 6     | 56.41                                 | Bluegill,<br><i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>          | 56.41                                   | -----                                  |
| 5     | 34.13                                 | Brook trout,<br><i>Salvelinus fontinalis</i>     | 34.13                                   | -----                                  |
| 4     | 33.91                                 | Bullfrog,<br><i>Rana catesbeiana</i>             | 33.91                                   | -----                                  |

Table M1. (Cont.)

| Rank* | Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L)** | Species                                         | Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L)** | Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio |
|-------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 3     | 31.26                           | Rainbow trout, <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>       | 35.34                             | 4.564                            |
|       |                                 | Coho salmon, <i>Oncorhynchus kisutch</i>        | 31.82                             | -----                            |
|       |                                 | Sockeye salmon, <i>Oncorhynchus nerka</i>       | 32.85                             | -----                            |
|       |                                 | Chinook salmon, <i>Oncorhynchus tshawytscha</i> | 25.85                             | -----                            |
| 2     | 26.54                           | Channel catfish, <i>Ictalurus punctatus</i>     | 26.54                             | -----                            |
| 1     | 4.355                           | Common carp, <i>Cyprinus carpio</i>             | 4.355                             | -----                            |

\* Ranked from most resistant to most sensitive based on Genus Mean Acute Value.

\*\* At pH = 6.5.

\*\*\* Not used in the calculation of the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio.

At pH = 6.5:

$$FAV = 10.56 \text{ ug/L}$$

$$CMC = FAV/2 = 5.28 \text{ ug/L}$$

As a function of pH:

$$CMC = e^{1.005(pH) - 4.869}$$

$$FACR = 2.608$$

At pH = 6.5:

$$FCV = FAV/FACR = (10.56 \text{ ug/L}) / (2.608) = 4.049 \text{ ug/L} = CCC$$

As a function of pH:

$$CCC = e^{1.005(pH) - 5.134}$$

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## GREAT LAKES WATER QUALITY INITIATIVE

### Tier 1 Aquatic Life Criterion for Selenium

The new acceptable acute data for selenium are given in Table O1; no new acceptable chronic data were found. These new data were used with those given in Tables 1 and 2 of the criteria document for selenium (U.S. EPA 1987) to obtain the values given in Tables O2 and O3.

#### Selenium(IV):

##### Criterion Maximum Concentration (CMC)

The Final Acute Value (FAV) was calculated using the four lowest Genus Mean Acute Values given in Table O2, resulting in a FAV of 371.8 ug/L. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CMC was calculated by dividing the FAV by 2, resulting in a CMC of 185.9 ug/L.

##### Criterion Continuous Concentration (CCC)

Insufficient chronic toxicity data were available to calculate a Final Chronic Value (FCV) using the eight-family procedure. Sufficient chronic data were available to calculate a FCV by dividing the FAV by the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio (FACR). Four Species Mean ACRs were available (Table O2), but the one determined with the acutely resistant species was higher than the other three; the three were within a factor of 2.4. The FACR was calculated as the geometric mean of the three and was 7.998. The  $FCV = FAV/FACR = (371.8 \text{ ug/L})/(7.998) = 46.49 \text{ ug/L}$ . As in U.S. EPA (1987), this value was lowered to 27.6 ug/L to protect the commercially and recreationally important rainbow trout. The CCC was 27.6 ug/L.

#### Selenium(VI):

##### Criterion Maximum Concentration (CMC)

The Final Acute Value (FAV) was calculated using the four lowest Genus Mean Acute Values given in Table O3, resulting in a FAV of 25.066 ug/L. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CMC was calculated by dividing the FAV by 2, resulting in a CMC of 12.533 ug/L.

##### Criterion Continuous Concentration (CCC)

Insufficient chronic toxicity data were available to calculate a Final Chronic Value (FCV) using the eight-family procedure. Sufficient chronic data were available to calculate a FCV by dividing the FAV by the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio (FACR). Three Species Mean ACRs were available (Table O3), and they increased as the acute sensitivities of the species increased. To make the FACR appropriate for sensitive species, it was set equal to the SMACR of 2.651 for the sensitive *Daphnia magna*. The FCV =  $FAV/FACR = (25.066 \text{ ug/L})/(2.651) = 9.455 \text{ ug/L}$ . This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CCC was 9.455 ug/L.

#### **Total selenium:**

As discussed in U.S. EPA (1987), field studies conducted on Belews Lake in North Carolina suggested that selenium might be more toxic to certain species of freshwater fish than had been observed in laboratory chronic toxicity tests. Based upon these field studies and some laboratory studies, the CCC for total selenium was set at 5 ug/L. The Final Acute-Chronic Ratio for total selenium was calculated as the geometric mean of the six ACRs in Tables O2 and O3 that are between 2.5 and 16.5 and was 7.737. The FAV was calculated by multiplying the CCC by the FACR and was 38.68 ug/L. The CMC was calculated by dividing the FAV by 2, resulting in a CMC of 19.34 ug/L as total recoverable selenium.

#### The Criterion

The procedures described in the GLI Tier 1 methodology indicate that, except possibly where a locally important species is very sensitive, aquatic organisms should not be affected unacceptably if the four-day average concentration of selenium does not exceed 5 ug/L more than once every three years on the average and if the one-hour average concentration does not exceed 19.34 ug/L more than once every three years on the average.

Table O1. New Acute Values for Selenium

| Species                      | Method* | Chemical                      | Acute Value<br>(ug/L) | Reference     |
|------------------------------|---------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia magna | S,U     | Na-selenite<br>[Selenium(IV)] | 680                   | Johnston 1987 |
| Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia magna | S,U     | Na-selenate<br>[Selenium(VI)] | 750                   | Johnston 1987 |

\* S = static, U = unmeasured.

Table O2. Ranked Genus Mean Acute Values for Selenium(IV)

| Rank* | Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species                                 | Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio |
|-------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 22    | 203000                        | Leech,<br>Nephelopsis obscure           | 203000                          | -----                            |
| 21    | 42500                         | Midge,<br>Tanytarsus dissimilis         | 42500                           | -----                            |
| 20    | 35000                         | Common carp,<br>Cyprinus carpio         | 35000                           | -----                            |
| 19    | 34910                         | Snail,<br>Aplexa hypnorum               | 34910                           | -----                            |
| 18    | 30176                         | White sucker,<br>Catostomus commersoni  | 30176                           | -----                            |
| 17    | 28500                         | Bluegill,<br>Lepomis macrochirus        | 28500                           | -----                            |
| 16    | 26100                         | Goldfish,<br>Carassius auratus          | 26100                           | -----                            |
| 15    | 25934                         | Midge,<br>Chironomus plumosus           | 25934                           | -----                            |
| 14    | 24100                         | Snail,<br>Physa sp.                     | 24100                           | -----                            |
| 13    | 13600                         | Channel catfish,<br>Ictalurus punctatus | 13600                           | -----                            |
| 12    | 12600                         | Mosquitofish,<br>Gambusia affinis       | 12600                           | -----                            |
| 11    | 11700                         | Yellow Perch,<br>Perca flavescens       | 11700                           | -----                            |
| 10    | 10490                         | Rainbow Trout,<br>Oncorhynchus mykiss   | 10490                           | 141.5**                          |
| 9     | 10200                         | Brook trout,<br>Salvelinus fontinalis   | 10200                           | -----                            |
| 8     | 6500                          | Flagfish,<br>Jordanelia floridae        | 6500                            | -----                            |
| 7     | 2704                          | Amphipod,<br>Gammarus pseudolimnaeus    | 2704                            | -----                            |
| 6     | 1796                          | Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia magna            | 834                             | 13.31                            |
|       |                               | Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia pulex            | 3870                            | 5.586                            |

Table O2. (Cont.)

| Rank* | Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species                                    | Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio |
|-------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 5     | 1783                          | Striped bass, <i>Morone saxatilis</i>      | 1783                            | -----                            |
| 4     | 1700                          | Hydra, <i>Hydra</i> sp.                    | 1700                            | -----                            |
| 3     | 1601                          | Fathead minnow, <i>Pimephales promelas</i> | 1601                            | 6.881                            |
| 2     | <603.6                        | Cladoceran, <i>Ceriodaphnia affinis</i>    | <603.6                          | -----                            |
| 1     | 340                           | Amphipod, <i>Hyalella azteca</i>           | 340                             | -----                            |

\* Ranked from most resistant to most sensitive based on Genus Mean Acute Value.

\*\* Not used in the calculation of the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio.

$$FAV = 371.8 \text{ ug/L}$$

$$CMC = FAV/2 = 185.9 \text{ ug/L}$$

$$FACR = 7.998$$

$$FCV = FAV/FACR = (371.8 \text{ ug/L}) / (7.998) = 46.49 \text{ ug/L}$$

Lowered to protect rainbow trout:

$$FCV = 27.6 \text{ ug/L} = CCC$$

Table O3. Ranked Genus Mean Acute Values for Selenium(VI)

| Rank* | Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species                                        | Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L) | Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio |
|-------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 11    | 442000                        | Leech, <i>Hephelopsis obscura</i>              | 442000                          | -----                            |
| 10    | 193000                        | Snail, <i>Aplexa hypnorum</i>                  | 193000                          | -----                            |
| 9     | 66000                         | Channel catfish, <i>Ictalurus punctatus</i>    | 66000                           | -----                            |
| 8     | 63000                         | Bluegill, <i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>           | 63000                           | -----                            |
| 7     | 47000                         | Rainbow trout, <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>      | 47000                           | 16.26                            |
| 6     | 20000                         | Midge, <i>Paratanytarsus parthenogeneticus</i> | 20000                           | -----                            |
| 5     | 7300                          | Hydra, <i>Hydra sp.</i>                        | 7300                            | -----                            |
| 4     | 5500                          | Fathead minnow, <i>Pimephales promelas</i>     | 5500                            | 9.726                            |
| 3     | 760                           | Amphipod, <i>Hyalella azteca</i>               | 760                             | -----                            |
| 2     | 550.1                         | Cladoceran, <i>Daphnia magna</i>               | 1230                            | 2.651                            |
|       |                               | Cladoceran, <i>Daphnia pulicaria</i>           | 246                             | -----                            |
| 1     | 65.38                         | Amphipod, <i>Gammarus pseudolimnaeus</i>       | 65.38                           | -----                            |

\* Ranked from most resistant to most sensitive based on Genus Mean Acute Value.

FAV = 25.066 ug/L

CMC = FAV/2 = 12.533 ug/L

FACR = 2.651

FCV = FAV/FACR = (25.066 ug/L)/(2.651) = 9.455 ug/L = CCC

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## GREAT LAKES WATER QUALITY INITIATIVE

### Tier 1 Aquatic Life Criterion for Zinc

The new acceptable acute data for zinc are given in Table P1; no new acceptable chronic data were found. These data were used with those given in Tables 1 and 2 of the criteria document for zinc (U.S. EPA 1987) to obtain the values given in Table P2. Because the toxicity of zinc is hardness-dependent, all acute values in Table P2 have been adjusted to a hardness of 50 mg/L.

#### Criterion Maximum Concentration (CMC)

The Final Acute Value (FAV) was calculated using the four lowest Genus Mean Acute Values in Table P2, resulting in an FAV of 133.2 ug/L at a hardness of 50 mg/L. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. The CMC was calculated by dividing the FAV by 2, resulting in a CMC of 66.6 ug/L, as total recoverable zinc, at a hardness of 50 mg/L. The CMC was related to hardness using the slope of 0.8473 that was derived in U.S. EPA (1987):

$$CMC = e^{0.8473 (\ln \text{hardness}) + 0.884}$$

#### Criterion Continuous Concentration (CCC)

Insufficient chronic toxicity data were available to calculate a Final Chronic Value (FCV) using the eight-family procedure. Sufficient chronic data were available to calculate a FCV by dividing the FAV by the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio (FACR). SMACRs were available for seven species (Table P2), but three were for resistant species and one was a "less than" value. The other three were within a factor of 10.4. The FACR was calculated as the geometric mean of the three SMACRs and was 1.994. According to the GLI tier 1 methodology, the FACR cannot be less than 2. The FCV = FAV/FACR = (133.2 ug/L)/(2) = 66.6 ug/L at a hardness of 50 mg/L. This value did not need to be lowered to protect a commercially or recreationally important species of the Great Lakes System. Thus the CCC was 66.6 ug/L, as total recoverable zinc, at a hardness of 50 mg/L and equals the CMC. The CCC was related to hardness using the slope of 0.8473:

$$CCC = e^{0.8473 (\ln \text{hardness}) + 0.884}$$

When it equals the CMC, the CCC is irrelevant because the CMC has a shorter averaging period.

The Criterion

The procedures described in the GLI tier 1 methodology indicate that, except possibly where a locally important species is very sensitive, aquatic organisms should not be affected unacceptably if the one-hour average concentration of zinc does not exceed the numerical value (in ug/L) given by the equation

$$CMC = e^{0.8473 (\ln \text{hardness}) + 0.884}$$

more than once every three years on the average.

Table P1. New Acute Values for Zinc

| Species                      | Method* | Hardness<br>(mg/L as<br>CaCO <sub>3</sub> ) | Acute<br>Value<br>(ug/L) | Adjusted<br>Acute<br>Value<br>(ug/L)** | Reference                 |
|------------------------------|---------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Frog,<br>Xenopus laevis      | S,M     | 100                                         | 34500                    | 19176                                  | Dawson<br>et al. 1988     |
| Cladoceran,<br>Daphnia magna | S,U     | 300                                         | 1100                     | 241                                    | Berglind and<br>Dave 1984 |

\* S = Static, M = measured, U = unmeasured.

\*\* Adjusted to a hardness of 50 mg/L using slope = 0.8473.

Table P2. Ranked Genus Mean Acute Values for Zinc.

| Rank* | Genus Mean<br>Acute Value<br>(ug/L) ** | Species                                                 | Species Mean<br>Acute Value<br>(ug/L) ** | Species Mean<br>Acute-Chronic<br>Ratio |
|-------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| 36    | 88960                                  | Damselfly,<br><i>Argia</i> sp.                          | 88960                                    | -----                                  |
| 35    | 19800                                  | Amphipod,<br><i>Crangonyx pseudogracilis</i>            | 19800                                    | -----                                  |
| 34    | 19176                                  | Frog,<br><i>Xenopus laevis</i>                          | 19176                                    | -----                                  |
| 33    | 18400                                  | Worm,<br><i>Nais</i> sp.                                | 18400                                    | -----                                  |
| 32    | 17940                                  | Banded killifish,<br><i>Fundulus diaphanus</i>          | 17940                                    | -----                                  |
| 31    | 16820                                  | Snail,<br><i>Amnicola</i> sp.                           | 16820                                    | -----                                  |
| 30    | 13630                                  | American eel,<br><i>Anguilla rostrata</i>               | 13630                                    | -----                                  |
| 29    | 10560                                  | Pumpkinseed,<br><i>Lepomis gibbosus</i>                 | 18790                                    | -----                                  |
|       |                                        | Bluegill,<br><i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>                 | 5937                                     | -----                                  |
| 28    | 10250                                  | Goldfish,<br><i>Carassius auratus</i>                   | 10250                                    | -----                                  |
| 27    | 9712                                   | Worm,<br><i>Lumbriculus variegatus</i>                  | 9712                                     | -----                                  |
| 26    | 8157                                   | Isopod,<br><i>Asellus bicrenata</i>                     | 5731                                     | -----                                  |
|       |                                        | Isopod,<br><i>Asellus communis</i>                      | 11610                                    | -----                                  |
| 25    | 8100                                   | Amphipod,<br><i>Gammarus</i> sp.                        | 8100                                     | -----                                  |
| 24    | 7233                                   | Common carp,<br><i>Cyprinus carpio</i>                  | 7233                                     | -----                                  |
| 23    | 6580                                   | Northern squawfish,<br><i>Ptychocheilus oregonensis</i> | 6580                                     | -----                                  |
| 22    | 6053                                   | Guppy,<br><i>Poecilia reticulata</i>                    | 6053                                     | -----                                  |

Table P2. (Cont.)

| Rank* | Genus Mean<br>Acute Value<br>(ug/L)** | Species                                             | Species Mean<br>Acute Value<br>(ug/L)** | Species Mean<br>Acute-Chronic<br>Ratio |
|-------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| 21    | 6000                                  | Golden shiner,<br><i>Notemigonus crysoleucas</i>    | 6000                                    | -----                                  |
| 20    | 5228                                  | White sucker,<br><i>Catostomus commersoni</i>       | 5228                                    | -----                                  |
| 19    | 4900                                  | Asiatic clam,<br><i>Corbicula fluminea</i>          | 4900                                    | -----                                  |
| 18    | 4341                                  | Southern platyfish,<br><i>Xiphophorus maculatus</i> | 4341                                    | -----                                  |
| 17    | 3830                                  | Fathead minnow,<br><i>Pimephales promelas</i>       | 3830                                    | 5.644***                               |
| 16    | 3265                                  | Isopod,<br><i>Lirceus alabamiae</i>                 | 3265                                    | -----                                  |
| 15    | 2176                                  | Atlantic salmon,<br><i>Salmo salar</i>              | 2176                                    | -----                                  |
| 14    | 2100                                  | Brook trout,<br><i>Salvelinus fontinalis</i>        | 2100                                    | 2.335***                               |
| 13    | 1707                                  | Bryozoan,<br><i>Lophopodella carteri</i>            | 1707                                    | -----                                  |
| 12    | 1672                                  | Flagfish,<br><i>Jordanella floridae</i>             | 1672                                    | 41.2***                                |
| 11    | 1607                                  | Bryozoan,<br><i>Plumatella emarginata</i>           | 1607                                    | -----                                  |
| 10    | 1578                                  | Snail,<br><i>Helisoma campanulatum</i>              | 1578                                    | -----                                  |
| 9     | 1353                                  | Snail,<br><i>Physa gyrina</i>                       | 1683                                    | -----                                  |
|       |                                       | Snail,<br><i>Physa heterostropha</i>                | 1088                                    | -----                                  |
| 8     | 1307                                  | Bryozoan,<br><i>Pectinatella magnifica</i>          | 1307                                    | -----                                  |
| 7     | >1264                                 | Tubificid worm,<br><i>Limnodrilus hoffmeisteri</i>  | >1264                                   | -----                                  |

Table P2. (Cont.)

| Rank* | Genus Mean Acute Value (ug/L)** | Species                                            | Species Mean Acute Value (ug/L)** | Species Mean Acute-Chronic Ratio |
|-------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 6     | 931.3                           | Rainbow trout,<br><i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>       | 689.3                             | 1.554                            |
|       |                                 | Coho salmon,<br><i>Oncorhynchus kisutch</i>        | 1628                              | -----                            |
|       |                                 | Sockeye salmon,<br><i>Oncorhynchus nerka</i>       | 1502                              | <6.074***                        |
|       |                                 | Chinook salmon,<br><i>Oncorhynchus tshawytscha</i> | 446.4                             | 0.7027                           |
| 5     | 790                             | Mozambique tilapia,<br><i>Tilapia mossambica</i>   | 790                               | -----                            |
| 4     | 299.8                           | Cladoceran,<br><i>Daphnia magna</i>                | 355.5                             | 7.26                             |
|       |                                 | Cladoceran,<br><i>Daphnia pulex</i>                | 252.9                             | -----                            |
| 3     | 227.8                           | Longfin dace,<br><i>Agosia chrysogaster</i>        | 227.8                             | -----                            |
| 2     | 119.4                           | Striped bass,<br><i>Morone saxatilis</i>           | 119.4                             | -----                            |
| 1     | 93.95                           | Cladoceran,<br><i>Ceriodaphnia dubia</i>           | 174.1                             | -----                            |
|       |                                 | Cladoceran,<br><i>Ceriodaphnia reticulata</i>      | 50.70                             | -----                            |

\* Ranked from most resistant to most sensitive based on Genus Mean Acute Value.

\*\* At hardness = 50 mg/L.

\*\*\* Not used in the calculation of the Final Acute-Chronic Ratio.

At hardness = 50 mg/L:

FAV = 133.2 ug/L

CMC = FAV/2 = 66.6 ug/L

As a function of hardness:

$$CMC = e^{0.8473 (\ln \text{hardness}) + 0.884}$$

FACR = 1.994 but was raised to 2

At hardness = 50 mg/L:

$$FCV = FAV/FACR = (133.2 \text{ ug/L}) / (2) = 66.6 \text{ ug/L} = CCC$$

As a function of hardness:

$$CCC = e^{0.8473 (\ln \text{ hardness}) + 0.884}$$

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