

GREAT LAKES AND ST. LAWRENCE CITIES INITIATIVE ALLIANCE DES VILLES DES GRANDS LACS ET DU SAINT-LAURENT

RESOLUTION 8 – 2011M

<u>DEVELOPMENT AND CONSIDERATION OF SUSTAINABLE URBAN WATER</u> <u>MANAGEMENT PRINCIPLES</u>

Submitted by the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District and the City of Milwaukee

WHEREAS, the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities are the population centers of the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence watershed; and

WHEREAS, complex challenges such as population growth, climate change, aging infrastructure, and changing regulatory climates present financial constraints on the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities' ability to reinvest in their water infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, it is incumbent on the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities to insure that they protect the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence watershed by minimizing the negative impacts of their water usage, wastewater discharges, and stormwater runoff on the watershed; and

WHEREAS, utilizing sustainable urban water management principles, such as green infrastructure and triple bottom line accounting, help to increase the efficiency of existing grey infrastructure while building local economic growth and competitiveness and advancing social equity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative will develop Sustainable Urban Water Management Principles.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that these Sustainable Urban Water Management Principles will then be provided to all the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities for their consideration in future water-related investments.

Signed this 16th day of June, 2011

Brian McMullan, Chair

Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative
Mayor of St. Catharines