Where two or more assessments are the subject of a single appeal, the fee payable is fixed in the amount of \$35 per assessment.".

3. This Regulation comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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Order of the Minister of the Environment dated 17 June 2004

Natural Heritage Conservation Act (R.S.Q., c. C-61.01)

Temporary protection of certain lands in the domain of the State as a proposed aquatic reserve or proposed biodiversity reserve

WHEREAS, under first paragraph of section 27 of the Natural Heritage Conservation Act (R.S.Q., c. C-61.01), for the purpose of protecting land to be established as a new protected area, the Minister of the Environment shall, with the approval of the Government, prepare the plan of that area, establish a conservation plan and assign temporary protection status to the area as a proposed aquatic reserve, biodiversity reserve, ecological reserve or man-made landscape;

WHEREAS, under section 28 of the Act, the setting aside of land under section 27 is valid for a period of not more than 4 years, which may be renewed or extended; the renewals or extensions of that period may not, unless so authorized by the Government, be such that the term of the setting aside exceeds 6 years;

CONSIDERING that by reason of the ecological value the territories and watercourses represent, the Minister of the Environment has been authorized by the Government to assign temporary protection status as a proposed aquatic reserve or proposed biodiversity reserve, as the case may be, to the 8 territories whose names appear in the attached Schedule, and that the plans of those areas and the conservation plan proposed for each of them have been approved, as evidenced by Order-in-Council 484-2004 dated May 19th 2004;

THEREFORE, the Minister of the Environment orders that:

(1) the status of proposed aquatic reserve is assigned to the territory whose name appears in Schedule I, the plan of that area and the conservation plan proposed for the duration of the temporary protection status assigned to it being those approved by the Government;

(2) the status of proposed biodiversity status is assigned to the seven territories whose names appear in Schedule II, the respective plans of those areas and the conservation plans proposed for the duration of the temporary protection status assigned to them being those approved by the Government;

(3) the status assigned for a period of 4 years is to begin for each of those areas on the date on which the notice of their setting aside is published in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

Québec, 17 June 2004

THOMAS J. MULCAIR, Minister of the Environment

SCHEDULE I PROPOSED AQUATIC RESERVE

Proposed Upper Harricana aquatic reserve

SCHEDULE II PROPOSED BIODIVERSITY RESERVES

Proposed Taibi lake biodiversity reserve

Proposed Decelles reservoir biodiversity reserve

Proposed Parent lake marshlands biodiversity reserve

Proposed Waskaganish biodiversity reserve

Proposed Piché-Lemoine forest biodiversity reserve

Proposed Opasatica lake biodiversity reserve

Proposed Des Quinze lake biodiversity reserve

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