ONTARIO COURT OF JUSTICE (GENERAL DIVISION) DIVISIONAL COURT

SMITH A.C.J.O.C., SOUTHEY and ROSENBERG JJ.

BETWEEN:)
GREAT LAKES POWER LIMITED) Peter A. Milligan) for the Applicant
Applicant	
) William S. Challis and
- and -) Mary C. L'Donoghue
) for the Privacy Commissioner
)
) Donald G. Mitchell
TOM WRIGHT, INFORMATION AND) for the Regional Assessment
PRIVACY COMMISSIONER (ONTARIO),) Commissioner
REGIONAL ASSESSMENT COMMISSIONER,)
REGION NO. 31 AND ONTARIO HYDRO) <u>Mitchell Weinberg</u>
) for Ontario Hydro
Respondents)
)
) <u>HEARD</u> : May 17, 1996

ROSENBERG J. (orally):

ENDORSEMENT

This court has held in Ontario (Workers' Compensation Board v. Ontario (Assistant Information and Privacy Commissioner) (1995), 23 O.R. (3d) 31 at 40 in relation to section 17(1)(c) of the Act that the Commissioner erred in requiring detailed and convincing evidence. Clearly the decision of the Commissioner is wrong because he applied the wrong test, and the decision was patently unreasonable. Having advised the parties that he was applying the detailed and convincing test, the award of the Commissioner is fatally flawed and cannot stand.

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We cannot speculate as to what the decision would have been had the Commissioner applied

the correct test.

Because of the decision as to this aspect of the application, it will not be necessary to deal

with the other grounds for the application.

The application is allowed and Order P-689 of the Commissioner is quashed.

Costs to the applicant fixed at \$3,000 to be paid by the respondent Regional Assessment

Commissioner.

Dated: May 17, 1996

ROSENBERG J.