# Great Lakes Power

## FIRST QUARTER 2002 INTERIM REPORT

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## **INTERIM REPORT FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2002**

## **First Quarter Highlights**

- Completed acquisition of a 126 megawatt ("MW") hydroelectric generating and transmission system in northern Maine, which will enhance the company's ability to market power in the increasingly integrated North American energy markets.
- Reached agreement to acquire four hydroelectric generating stations on the Mississagi River in northern Ontario from Ontario Power Generation Inc. for Cdn\$340 million.
- Continued construction on two hydroelectric generating facilities in Canada: the 45 MW High Falls redevelopment in northern Ontario and the new 30 MW Pingston Creek station in central British Columbia.
- Continued development work on five hydroelectric generating stations in Brazil, three of which are now under construction.

#### MISSISSAGI ACQUISITION

In March 2002, Great Lakes' shareholder, Brascan Corporation, announced that it had reached agreement to acquire four hydroelectric stations in northern Ontario with a combined generating capacity of 488 MW from Ontario Power Generation Inc. ("OPG") for Cdn\$340 million. These stations are located on the Mississagi River immediately to the east of Great Lakes' integrated power system based in Sault Ste. Marie. These stations have been identified by OPG as part of its effort to reduce its share of generating capacity in Ontario in conjunction with establishing a competitive market in this province.

On April 12, 2002, Brascan announced that it was assigning its interest in the Mississagi River purchase agreement to the Great Lakes Hydro Income Fund, in which it owns 50% of the units through Great Lakes. The transaction is expected to close in early May 2002.

The four hydroelectric generating stations being acquired are: Wells (239 MW), Aubrey Falls (162 MW), George W. Rayner (46 MW) and Red Rock Falls (41 MW). The acquisition also includes four water storage reservoirs on Rocky Island Lake, which facilitate the peaking operation of these power stations, and a service centre, which serves as the office, warehouse and workshop for these facilities.

The four Mississagi power stations will expand Great Lakes' power generating capacity to over 1,600 megawatts. They also have special value to Great Lakes as they can be operated in conjunction with its twelve other power stations in the adjacent area of northern Ontario.

### OPERATING RESULTS

The company's power operations generated 1,630 gigawatt hours ("GWh") of electricity during the first quarter of 2002 compared to 1,036 GWh during the same period in 2001. All operations but one reported higher power generation as a result of improved precipitation levels and productivity improvements. Results for the first quarter of 2002 also include three months' contribution from Powell River Energy in British Columbia, acquired in February 2001, as well as two months' contribution from Great Northern Energy in northern Maine, acquired in February 2002.

The company's northern Ontario power generating, transmission and distribution system generated 481 GWh of electricity in the first quarter of 2002, up from 249 GWh in the same period in 2001 due to improved winter precipitation levels. Power sales in the first quarter, including power purchased externally to meet customer demand with the system's service area, totalled 626 GWh in the first quarter of 2002 compared to 631 GWh in 2001.

Operations owned through the Great Lakes Hydro Income Fund generated a total of 617 GWh of power in the first quarter of 2002, up from 340 GWh in the same period of last year. Maclaren Power generated 413 GWh of electricity during the first quarter of 2002, up from 306 GWh last year due to improved precipitation levels in western Quebec. Powell River Energy contributed 156 GWh during the quarter, up from 34 GWh in the two month period last year as a result of significantly higher precipitation levels in western British Columbia. Great Northern Energy's power generation since acquisition in February 2002 was 48 GWh.

The company's other power operations in Canada and the United States generated 532 GWh of electricity in the first quarter of 2002, up from 447 GWh in the same period in 2001. Louisiana HydroElectric's generation was 239 GWh, up from 176 GWh last year as water flows on the Mississippi River started to return to more normal levels. Power generation from the company's other operations in Ontario and Quebec also increased, mainly as a result of improved precipitation.

## FINANCIAL REVIEW

Great Lakes earned net income of \$42.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2002, up from \$30.4 million in the first quarter of 2001.

Power revenues for the first quarter increased to \$89.4 million in 2002 from \$67.1 million in 2001. Revenue from the Great Lakes Hydro Income Fund increased as a result of higher precipitation in western Quebec and the acquisition of Powell River Energy in February 2001 and Great Northern Energy in February 2002. Revenue from Louisiana HydroElectric Power also increased with the return to more normal levels of water flow on the lower Mississippi.

Income from long-term investments, which consists of dividends from the company's investments, was \$10.8 million in the first quarter of 2002, down from \$11.4 million in the same period last year. Investment and other income, which includes dividends earned on the company's securities portfolio, interest on loans receivable and other fee income, was \$12.9 million for the first quarter of 2002, down from \$15.8 million in 2001 due to lower average interest rates.

Expenses for the first quarter increased to \$70.8 million in 2002 from \$63.9 million in 2001. This \$6.9 million net increase in expenses reflects mainly a \$2.0 million increase in operating and maintenance expense, a \$2.1 million increase in depreciation and a \$1.0 million increase in minority expenses, all related to the acquisitions of Powell River Energy and Great Northern Energy.

## > CAPITAL INVESTMENT PROGRAM

Work continues on Great Lakes' \$500 million capital investment plan, which forms an integral part of a strategic plan to double power operating earnings by the year 2005.

**High Falls, Ontario.** Construction continues on the 45 MW, High Falls hydroelectric generating station on the Michipicoten River in northern Ontario. This \$75 million redevelopment project is expected to be completed in the fourth quarter of 2002. Capital expenditures on the project during the three months ended March 31, 2002 were \$4.6 million.

**Pingston Creek, British Columbia.** Construction continues on a 30 MW hydroelectric generating station near Revelstoke, B.C. in a 50/50 partnership with Canadian Hydro Developers Inc. This \$48 million project is expected to be completed in mid 2002. Capital expenditures on the project during the three months ended March 31, 2002 were \$3.5 million.

**Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario/Michigan**. Permitting and preliminary engineering are under way for a \$30 million high voltage transmission interconnection to link the company's generating stations in Ontario with the neighbouring power grid in Michigan. This interconnection will have a capacity of up to 300 MW at 230 kilovolts and will enhance Great Lakes' ability to access U.S. energy markets to maximize the value of its power system.

**Brascan Energética, Brazil.** Development work continues for five new hydroelectric generating stations in southern Brazil. Construction is under way on three of these stations, the 30 MW Passo do Meio project in the State of Rio Grande do Sul and the 16 MW Pedrinho and 15 MW Salto Natal projects in the State of Paraná.

### OUTLOOK

Precipitation levels have returned to normal in northern Ontario and western Quebec. This improvement, combined with the higher water flows already experienced on the Mississippi River and the acquisition of Great Northern Energy, should lead to higher power generation levels in 2002 compared to prior years. Through its capital investment plan, Great Lakes is aggressively seeking to increase returns as system improvements, new development projects and acquisitions are brought on stream.

"signed"

Edward C. Kress *Chairman* 

April 17, 2002

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Note: This Interim Report contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. The words "believe", "expect", "anticipate", "intend", "estimate" and other expressions which are predictions of or indicate future events and trends and which do not relate to historical matters identify forward-looking statements. Reliance should not be placed on forward-looking statements because they involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors, which may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of the company to differ materially from anticipated future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those set forth in the forward-looking statements include general economic conditions, interest rates, availability of equity and debt financing and other risks. The company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

## > OPERATING STATISTICS

**Electricity Generation and Sales** 

_	Three months ended March 3		
gigawatt hours	2002	2001	
GENERATION			
Great Lakes Power Limited	481	249	
Great Lakes Hydro Income Fund			
Maclaren Power	413	306	
Powell River Energy (1)	156	34	
Great Northern Energy (2)	48	_	
Other Power Operations			
Lake Superior Power (3)	221	211	
Valerie Falls Power	14	13	
Pontiac Power	58	49	
Louisiana HydroElectric Power	239	176	
TOTAL GENERATION	1,630	1,036	
SALES			
Great Lakes Power Limited (4)	626	632	
Great Lakes Hydro Income Fund			
Maclaren Power	413	305	
Powell River Energy (1)	156	34	
Great Northern Energy (2)	48	_	
Other Power Operations			
Lake Superior Power (3)	221	213	
Valerie Falls Power	14	13	
Pontiac Power	58	47	
Louisiana HydroElectric Power	231	17	
TOTAL SALES	1,767	1,410	

<sup>(1)</sup> Acquired February 2, 2001

<sup>(2)</sup> Acquired February 1, 2002

<sup>(3)</sup> Including electricity equivalents of contracted gas sales

<sup>(4)</sup> Including power purchased externally to supply customer demand in the system's northern Ontario service area

## > CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## **Consolidated Balance Sheet**

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(unaudited) millions	March 31,	December 31,
munons	2002	2001
Assets		
Securities	\$ 723.0	\$ 715.6
Loans and other receivables	258.0	425.0
Long-term investments	515.0	521.8
Property, plant and equipment	1,574.7	1,267.6
	\$3,070.7	\$2,930.0
Liabilities		
Accounts payable and other	\$ 91.3	\$ 91.9
Mortgage bonds	677.1	555.6
Term debentures	596.3	596.2
Future income tax liability	115.1	116.4
Minority interests	269.8	271.3
Shareholders' equity (Note 2)	1,321.1	1,298.6
	\$3,070.7	\$2,930.0

## **Consolidated Statement of Income**

(unaudited)	Three months ended March 3		
millions, except per share amounts	2002		
Revenue			
Power operations	\$ 89.4	\$67.1	
Long-term investments	10.8	11.4	
Investment and other income	12.9	15.8	
	113.1	94.3	
Expenses			
Interest	20.1	21.4	
Power and fuel purchases	23.8	24.9	
Operating and maintenance costs	9.9	7.9	
Depreciation	8.7	6.6	
Minority interests	3.9	2.9	
Income and other taxes	4.4	0.2	
	70.8	63.9	
Net income	\$42.3	\$30.4	
Fully diluted net income per common share	\$0.34	\$0.24	

## **Consolidated Statement of Retained Earnings**

(unaudited)	Three months en	Three months ended March 31		
millions	<b>2002</b> 20			
Retained earnings				
Balance, beginning of year	\$447.7	\$397.8		
Net income	42.3	30.4		
Convertible debenture interest	(3.6)	(4.4)		
Common share dividends	(16.2)	(16.2)		
Balance, end of period	\$470.2	\$407.6		

## **Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows**

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(unaudited)	Three months ended March 31		
Millions	2002	2001	
Cash provided from operations (Note 3)	\$ 45.4	\$ 29.6	
Net change in non-cash working capital	(6.7)	(4.5)	
Cash provided by operating activities	38.7	25.1	
Financing and shareholder distributions			
Borrowings	131.3	51.3	
Debt repayments	(9.7)	(2.2)	
Convertible debenture interest	(3.6)	(4.4)	
Common share dividends	(16.2)	(16.2)	
	101.8	28.5	
Investing			
Sale of securities	7.7	_	
Loans and other receivables	170.0	7.7	
Property, plant and equipment	(310.8)	(50.8)	
	(133.1)	(43.1)	
Cash and cash equivalents			
Increase	7.4	10.5	
Balance, beginning of year	10.3	12.7	
Balance, end of period	\$ 17.7	\$ 23.2	

### Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

### 1. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the company consolidated with the accounts of all its subsidiaries. Reference is made to the company's most recently issued Annual Financial Report, which included information necessary or useful to understanding the company's businesses and financial statement presentations. In particular, the company's significant accounting policies and practices were presented as Note 1 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in that report. The company's accounting policies and methods of their application are consistent with those of the most recent annual financial statements, except as may be described elsewhere in these financial statements.

The quarterly financial statements are unaudited. Financial information in this Interim Report reflects any adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring adjustments) that are, in the opinion of management, necessary to a fair statement of results for the interim periods in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

The results reported in these consolidated financial statements should not be regarded as necessarily indicative of results that may be expected for the entire year.

The company is incorporated under the laws of Ontario and develops, owns and operates hydroelectric and other power generating facilities principally in Canada. The company also conducts investment activities, which include the receipt of interest and dividends on the company's financial assets as well as gains realized on investment transactions.

#### 2. SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

The company is authorized to issue an unlimited amount of common shares, of which the following were issued and outstanding:

millions	March 31 <b>2002</b>	December 31 <b>2001</b>
101,383,135 (2001 – 101,383,135) Common shares Retained earnings	\$ 603.2 470.2	\$ 603.2 447.7
Subordinated convertible debentures	1,073.4 247.7	1,050.9 247.7
	\$1,321.1	\$1,298.6

The subordinated convertible debentures mature September 30, 2013, bear interest at the prime rate subject to a minimum of 6% and a maximum of 8%.

## 3. CASH PROVIDED FROM OPERATIONS

	Three months en	Three months ended March 31	
millions	2002	2001	
Net income	\$42.3	\$30.4	
Add non-cash items:			
Depreciation	8.7	6.6	
Hydrological provisions	<del>-</del>	(2.4)	
Equity income (loss) and other	(5.6)	(5.0)	
	\$45.4	\$29.6	

#### 4. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

Certain of the prior year's figures have been reclassified to conform with the 2002 presentation.

## > Profile

Great Lakes Power Inc. generates, transmits and distributes electricity in Ontario and Quebec, and has ownership and operating interests in other power generating facilities and developments in Canada, the United States and Brazil. Its production and development base currently includes 28 generating stations with an installed generating capacity of 1,117 megawatts, which will increase to 1,605 megawatts on the closing of the Mississagi River acquisition in early May 2002.

Great Lakes is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Brascan Corporation (TSE: BNN.A, NYSE: BNN).

#### **Production Base**

<del>-</del>	Ownership	Generating Stations	Generating Units	Installed Capacity
				(megawatts)
Great Lakes Power Limited (1)	100%	12	22	331
Great Lakes Hydro Income Fund (50%)				
Maclaren Power, Quebec (1)	100%	3	10	238
Powell River Energy, British Columbia (2)	50%	2	7	82
Great Northern Energy, Maine (1)	100%	6	31	126
Mississagi River, Ontario (2, 5)	100%	4	8	488
Other Power Operations				
Lake Superior Power, Ontario (3)	50%	1	3	110
Valerie Falls Power, Ontario (2)	65%	1	2	10
Pontiac Power, Quebec (2)	100%	2	7	28
Louisiana HydroElectric Power (2)	$75\%^{^{(4)}}$	1	8	192
TOTAL		32	98	1,605

- (1) Integrated hydroelectric power generating and transmission systems
- (2) Other hydroelectric generating stations
- (3) Natural gas-fired cogeneration plant
- (4) Residual interest
- (5) Acquisition expected to close in early May 2002

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