

## 87.19RE Acid Rain

The International Council of Women

Recalling the decision made at Vienna in 1973 to study problems of the human environment;

Recognizing increasing and indisputable evidence of the adverse effect of Acid Rain on the human environment;

Convinced that comprehensive action is required to combat the problem of Acid Rain;

Aware that transboundary transmission of sulphur compounds can be reduced at the source by the enforcement of abatement

and control policies;

Encouraged by studies and recommendations of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), as outlined

in "OECD and the Environment" released in 1979, concerning transfrontier pollution;

Welcoming the attention given in the 1979 UN Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air

Pollution to the emission of sulphur

compounds; and,

Seriously concerned that few countries have ratified the 1979 UN Convention, and that member countries of OECD have not

strenuously pursued the implementation of OECD recommendations concerning the long-range transport of air pollution;

Urges National Councils to request their Governments:

1. To pursue control and abatement policies which would require reduction of sulphur compound emissions at the

source;

2. To implement OECD recommendations concerning long-range transport of air pollution if a member nation of the

Organization;

3. To ratify the 1979 UN Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution.