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ANALYSIS OF RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS 11 AND 15 OF WATER POLLUTION QUESTION-NAIRE SUBMITTED BY WATER POLLUTION STUDY COMMITTEE, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BOATING LAW ADMINISTRATORS

It would appear from the questionnaire that the pollution problem created by recreational watercraft is considered to be, in most waters, negligible. A few quotes from the questionnaire will suffice in this regard:

"In my opinion, pollution from recreational craft is infinitesimal."

"Make cities and communities put in proper disposal plants. Get at the source—clean up the big polluters like cities, towns, industry and shore cottages."

"Most of the trash in our freshwater streams is left by people fishing on the banks."

Answers to the questionnaire indicated that, of the small part of the pollution problem created by recreational watercraft, trash thrown overboard by individ-