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The reasons for keeping the shipping lanes open are valid for the shipping industry. But when the loss of income for the fishing and tourist industries ruined by the Asian carp reaching the Great Lakes are taken into account, the shipping costs pale in comparison. Never mind the destruction to the environments of the Great Lakes' waters. Let us just consider the financial consequences of not putting back the separation that was originally there. Ships can unload their cargo, put it on trucks and transport it to Chicago, creating more jobs for the trucking and harbor industries. Destroying the fishing and tourist industries would cost more than the costs to the shipping industry, which would still survive and be healthy, even if the ethical solution was accomplished. And there is no time to waste on costly, time consuming, useless studies. The Corps and the citizens surrounding the Great Lakes know what the problem is and how to cure it now. Thank you for taking time to listen to us. Maureen & John Pennington