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- [1] We are all in agreement that the appeal should be dismissed.
- [2] The environmental assessment did not ignore the question of navigation on the Kipawa River and through the dam. It also considered the interest of the appellant and recommended mitigating measures to preserve, as far as possible, the reasonable use of the river.

| [3] | Accordingly, the appeal will be dismissed with costs. |               |
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|     | _   | "J. Richard"  |
|     |   | Chief Justice |

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