

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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July 2, 2018

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF: SR-6J

Mr. Eric Ealy Environmental Analyst Xcel Energy 414 Nicollet Mall, MP-04 Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401

RE: EPA approval of the Fish Habitat and Structures Memo for Phase 2 Wet Dredge, Ashland/NSP Lakefront Superfund Site

Dear Mr. Ealy:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), in consultation with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR), reviewed the *Fish Habitat and Structures Memo for Phase 2 Wet Dredge* dated April 25, 2018, sent by Foth/Envirocon Joint Venture (FE-JV) on behalf of Northern States Power Company (NSPW). It meets the intent as described in Section 9.4 of the *Final Design*; therefore, EPA approves the habitat structures and layout concept.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss things further, please contact me at 312-886-1999.

Sincerely,

Scott K. Hansen

Remedial Project Manager

cc: Jamie Dunn, WDNR Denis Roznowski, Foth Jim Burton, Weston Solutions