



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 5
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July 5, 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 cleaning and re-coating of bulkhead sheet pile wall
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 Foth/Envirocon Joint Venture (FE-JV) email dated June 15, 2018, updating the status of the cleaning and re-coating of the bulkhead sheet pile wall. It seems the procedures utilized for wall cleaning and re-coating, as originally proposed in Tech Memo #18-2 and modified in the May 15th email, have adequately performed. In addition, as noted in your email, the long-term monitoring and maintenance of the bulkhead sheet pile wall will be addressed by Northern States Power Company (NSPW) if any repairs or recoating is needed in the future. Therefore, EPA approves the processes used for the wall.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Scott K. Hansen".

Scott K. Hansen
Remedial Project Manager

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