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MAYOR SHAWN REILLY  
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Subject: Great Lakes Diversion Application – Return Flow Needs

Dear Mayor Reilly,

This letter is a follow-up to our May 15th meeting with representatives of the County and City of Waukesha (City) and the Department regarding the status of the City's application for a diversion of Great Lakes water. At the meeting, we reviewed the pros and cons of the four return flow options that have been presented to the Department over the past few years. As was indicated, the final selection of a return flow option is the City's to make after careful consideration.

The Department is aware of the City's critical timeline associated with the application, however, in order for the Department to move forward with the technical review and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) under the Great Lakes Compact and Wisconsin's implementing statutes, the City must first finalize its preferred return flow option and the volume of water returned to Lake Michigan. Once the City makes this selection, the Department will provide a specific list of additional information needed to complete the Technical Review and EIS. The Department requests any supplemental information be provided as an addendum to the 2013 Application.

We look forward to receiving the City's decision and subsequent addendum to the 2013 application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Russ Rasmussen'.

Russ Rasmussen  
Water Division Administrator

cc: Jill Jonas  
Dan Duchniak