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To:	DNR Racine Diversion Comments
Subject:	DENY the Racine Diversion Request
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To whom it may concern:

The Racine Diversion Request should be denied because:

1. The Foxconn plant is not in the Great Lakes Basin. Allowing any company, especially a foreign company, to request the diversion of our precious resource is a violation of the spirit and intent of the Great Lakes Compact. Racine has extra capacity already. Foxconn is not in Racine. Why is Racine even asking for this?
2. The water will be used for corporate, not for public consumption. Again, not even for an American corporation! The Great Lakes Compact protects our water for the public. Approve this and there will be more requests that will cite this as the precedent.
3. Nearly forty percent of the water will never be returned. It will be lost in what must be a very inefficient manufacturing process. This is another clear violation of the Compact. Right now, Cape Town and Bangalore are testament to the problem of running out of water. The pressure to continue business as usual, consuming as much as you want, must be met with equal pressure to respect our precious water resource and foster innovation in water use. Is anyone demanding Foxconn be more efficient?
4. There are no specifics on how this water will be used, managed or treated or whether Foxconn will be exempted from our permitting processes. This is an abdication of the DNR's responsibility.

This Request seems like a horrible "opening of the door" to the destruction of the Great Lakes Compact, and, ultimately, the destruction of our precious fresh water.

The Racine Diversion Request violates tenets of the Great Lakes Compact as well as the spirit and intent of the Great Lakes Compact.

The Request should be denied.

Thank you

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I only went out for a walk, and finally concluded to stay out till sundown, for going out, I found, was really going in. — John Muir