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Adam Freihoefer,

I write from east-central WI where we are privileged to live on a 50-acre wildlife sanctuary. For over 30 years, our family has worked to establish woodlands, ponds, and native grasslands. At the core of our efforts lies the belief that this land and our precious wildlife deserve our reverence and respect. I believe our wetlands, ponds, rivers, and lakes should likewise be protected. In particular, Lake Michigan which is now at risk because of a violation of the Great Lakes Compact and the intentions of the authors of this compact.

The City of Racine's request for a new diversion of 7 Million gallons a day violates the intent of the Great Lakes Compact. The diversion is primarily for a private industrial use (Foxconn) rather than public ("largely residential") use as required by the Great Lakes Compact which states, "all the Water so transferred shall be used solely for Public Water Supply Purposes within the Straddling Community." The diversion application also does not provide enough detail about the quality of the water that will be returned to the City of Racine and Lake Michigan. For these reasons, the DNR should deny this application.

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