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To Whom It May Concern:

We have several very serious concerns about Great Lakes water being delivered to the Foxconn plant in Mount Pleasant. The DNR must manage this project according to the Great Lakes Compact, which was enacted to protect this precious resource for future generations.

First and foremost, this water will not be for public consumption, as required by the Great Lakes Compact. It is going to a private, foreign corporation, which sets a very dangerous precedent. How many other corporations will follow suit? *A key tenet of the Great Lakes Compact is to protect Great Lakes Water for THE PUBLIC, not private or corporate use.*

Second, a significant amount of the water delivered would be lost to the manufacturing process. An estimated 40% of the water delivered would NOT be returned to the lake. *Another key tenet of the Great Lakes Compact is that water taken must be returned, minus a reasonable amount of consumptive use.* This could have a serious cumulative impact on the Great Lakes over time, and also sets a very dangerous precedent. Again, how many other corporate or private entities will want to do the same? Over 40 million people rely on the Great Lakes for drinking water, and only 1% of that lake water is renewed by rain and snow melt. We cannot afford this huge negative impact.

Third, there are too many unknowns as to how Foxconn will use, manage, and treat the water being returned to the lake. Rather than exempting Foxconn from certain permitting requirements, their requirements should be more stringent because Great Lakes water is a PUBLIC resource that must be maintained for future PUBLIC use.

The Great Lakes Compact, an important international agreement, was enacted to protect this water for current and future generations. As proud Wisconsin citizens, we look to the DNR to be accountable and uphold the spirit and intent of the Great Lakes Compact.

Sincerely,
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