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FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

October 31, 2007

Ms. Magalie Salas
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
Division of Licensing and Compliance
888 First Street NE
Washington, DC 20426

Dear Ms. Salas:

RE: 2007 REPORTS ON PURPLE LOOSESTRIPE AND EURASIAN MILFOIL SURVEYS

- Peavy Falls – FERC No. 11830 - 061**
- Michigamme Falls – FERC No. 2073 - 086**
- Kingsford – FERC No. 2131 - 102**
- Big Quinnesec Falls – FERC No. 1980 - 086**
- Brule – FERC No. 2431 - 075**
- Pine – FERC No. 2486 - 073**
- Chalk Hill – FERC No. 2394 - 094**
- White Rapids – FERC No. 2357 - 102**

The "Terrestrial Based Natural Resources Management Plan," filed in September of 1999 as part of the Wilderness Shores Settlement Agreement, which affects Way Dam (FERC No. 1759, Hemlock Falls (FERC No. 2074), Peavy Falls (FERC No. 11830), Michigamme Falls (FERC No. 2073), Lower Paint (FERC No. 2072), Twin Falls (FERC No. 11831), Kingsford (FERC No. 2131), and Big Quinnesec Falls (FERC No. 1980), and the "Order Modifying and Approving Purple Loosestrife and Eurasian Water Milfoil Monitoring Plan" issued on April 30, 1996, for the Pine Hydro project (FERC No. 2486), August 14, 1997, for the Brule Hydro (FERC No. 2431), December 11, 1997, for the Chalk Hill Hydro (FERC No. 2394), we are to provide the final reports on the required biennial monitoring for those projects no later than 30 days after the monitoring is completed. Monitoring is scheduled each year for a portion of these twelve projects, with the field portion of the project to be completed by August 7. Eight projects were surveyed during 2007. A request for extension of the September 7, 2007, deadline to November 1, 2007, was submitted to your office on September 18, 2007, and approved by your office in the "Order Granting Extension of Time" issued October 23, 2007.

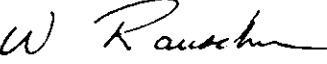
Wisconsin Electric Power Company, doing business as We Energies (WE), is required to inspect and report on Eurasian Milfoil and Purple Loosestrife during 2007 for Chalk Hill, White Rapids, Pine, Brule, Kingsford, Peavy, Michigamme Falls, and Big Quinnesec Falls at both the Annual Land Management Meeting and by providing a filing with your office. Attached are the results of those inspections conducted earlier this year. The results of the monitoring as well as testing several methods for control of these noxious weeds, was reviewed by our environmental staff. The annual Land Management Meeting was held on October 24 and 25, with representatives from the Wisconsin and Michigan DNR, two Non Governmental Organizations (NGO's), the River Alliance of Wisconsin, the Michigan Hydro Relicensing Coalition, and by phone with Jessica Mistak of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR)

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In an effort to meet the November 1, 2007, deadline we will be sending the resource agencies the hard copy reports to include the survey summaries and the maps of each project showing the location and density of the noxious weeds, but will be sending a CD that contains the electronic files of the survey summaries and maps of the eight projects for the FERC files.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Mr. Tom Plante of our staff at 906-779-2513.

Sincerely,


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Hydroelectric Operations Division

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Attachment

cc: P. Harding – CRO
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