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WE Energies

January 5, 2017

Mr. Todd Jastremski  
WE Energies  
800 Industrial Park Drive  
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Subject: Acknowledgement of 2017 Report on Nuisance Plant Surveys

Dear Mr. Jastremski:

Thank you for your Nuisance Plant Survey Report filed on November 29, 2017. The report documents activities carried out in accordance with the Order Amending Nuisance Plant Monitoring Plans (2017 Order).<sup>1</sup>

The 2017 Order authorizes you to conduct biennial nuisance plant surveys for the Way Dam (P-1759), Hemlock Falls (P-2074), Peavy Falls (P-11830), Michigamme Falls (P-2073), Lower Paint (P-2072), Brule (P-2431), Twin Falls (P-11831), Kingsford (P-2131), Big Quinnesec Falls (P-1980), Pine (P-2486), Chalk Hill (P-2394), and White Rapids (P-2357) Projects. The surveys are to focus on purple loosestrife and also record incidental observations of other aquatic invasive species. The 2017 Order also stipulates that if purple loosestrife is observed at any of the projects those sites will be surveyed annually until purple loosestrife is absent for two consecutive years.

Your biennial report includes survey results for P-1759, P-2074, P-11830, P-2073, P-2486, P-2394, and P-2357. Your report states that purple loosestrife was observed at P-1759 and P-2394 but was not observed at any of the other projects. Your report states that you shared the survey results with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

Your report meets the requirements of the 2017 Order. Your next report for P-2073, P-2072, P-2431, P-11831, P-2131, and P-1980 will be due November 30, 2018.


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<sup>1</sup> *WE Energies*, 159 FERC ¶ 62,064 (2017).

Per stipulation of the 2017 Order, your next report should also include the survey results for P-1759 and P-2394 since purple loosestrife was observed in 2017. Although the Commission will continue to review your monitoring reports we will no longer write letters unless further action is needed. When your future filings for this requirement are posted on the Commission's e-library system, you may consider that as acknowledgment of the Commission's receipt of your submittal.

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (202) 502-6376 or [david.rudisail@ferc.gov](mailto:david.rudisail@ferc.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Rudisail". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "D".

David Rudisail  
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