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December 13, 2005

Ms. Magalie R. Salas, Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Mail Code: DTCA, HL 21.3 888 First Street, N.E. Washington, DC 20426

Dear Secretary Salas:

Exotic Species Monitoring for FERC Project No. 1979

As per the order approving the Invasive Species Monitoring Plan for the Alexander Hydroelectric Project (Project No. 1979) issued on March 4, 2005, Wisconsin Public Service Corporation (WPSC) is submitting the survey results for purple loosestrife, Eurasian watermilfoil and zebra mussels.

The purple loosestrife survey was conducted on July 18, 2005. Purple loosestrife was identified within the Alexander Hydroelectric Project. A summary of the results is included in Appendix A.

The Eurasian watermilfoil survey was conducted on July 18, 2005. Eurasian watermilfoil surveys were collected at three sampling locations within the Alexander Hydroelectric Project. The sampling locations are located near public boat landings. GPS coordinates were collected for each sampling location. No Eurasian watermilfoil was identified. A summary of results has been included in Appendix B.

Monthly inspections of substrate samplers for the presence of zebra mussels were conducted during the months of May through September. Zebra Mussels were not found during any of the monthly 2005 inspections. A summary of the results has been included in Appendix C.

Documentation of submittal of these results to the Agencies can be found in Appendix D.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact James Nuthals at (920) 433-1460

Sincerely,

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# APPENDIX A PURPLE LOOSESTRIFE SURVEY – 2005

### Purple Loostrife Survey - 2005

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Number	Latitude	Longitude	Amount
1	45 13.233	89 47.222	6-50 Plants
2	45 13.168	89 46.815	6-50 Plants
3	45 13.166	89 46.795	1-5 Plants
4	45 13.160	89 46.778	6-50 Plants
5	45 13.142	89 46.707	6-50 Plants
6	45 13.152	89 46.551	6-50 Plants
7	45 13.179	89 46.512	6-50 Plants
8	45 13.189	89 46.510	50+ Plants
9	45 13.141	89 46.448	6-50 Plants
10	45 13.133	89 46.452	6-50 Plants
11	45 13.101	89 46.509	50+ Plants
12	45 13.031	89 46.434	6-50 Plants
13	45 13.080	89 46.324	6-50 Plants
14	45 13.070	89 46.319	1-5 Plants
15	45 13.064	89 46.324	6-50 Plants
16	45 13.062	89 46.330	6-50 Plants
17	45 13.059	89 46.340	50+ Plants
18	45 13.933	89 46.220	50+ Plants
19	45 12.891	89 46.102	50+ Plants
20	45 12.949	89 46.107	50+ Plants
21	45 12.978	89 46.155	6-50 Plants
22	45 13.016	89 46.132	6-50 Plants
23	45 12.943	89 45.883	50+ Plants
24	45 12.933	89 45.882	6-50 Plants
25	45 12.892	89 45.828	6-50 Plants
26	45 12.897	89 45.805	1-5 Plants
27	45 12.891	89 45.782	50+ Plants
28	45 12.627	89 45.501	6-50 Plants
29	45 12.605	89 45.462	6-50 Plants
30	45 12.476	89 45.268	6-50 Plants
31	45 12.419	89 45.275	6-50 Plants
32	45 11.532	89 45.389	6-50 Plants
33	45 11.556	89 45.397	1-5 Plants
34	45 11.559	89 45.400	1-5 Plants
35	45 12.139	89 45.634	6-50 Plants
36	45 12.076	89 45.384	6-50 Plants
37	45 12.504	89 45.563	50+ Plants
38	45 12.558	89 45.615	6-50 Plants
39	45 12.720	89 46.198	6-50 Plants
40	45 12.768	89 46.658	6-50 Plants
41	45 13.217	89 47.485	6-50 Plants
42	45 13.813	89 48.184	6-50 Plants
43	45 13.851	89 48.229	6-50 Plants
44	45 14.098	89 48.272	6-50 Plants
45	45 14.277	89 48.287	1-5 Plants
46	45 14.303	89 48.257	50+ Plants
47	45 14.125	89 48.240	50+ Plants
48	45 13.980	89 48.217	1-5 Plants
49	45 13.915	89 48.176	1-5 Plants

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50	45 13.849	89 48.134	1-5 Plants
51	45 13.825	89 48.094	6-50 Plants
52	45 13.706	89 48.015	6-50 Plants
53	45 13.340	89 47.680	6-50 Plants
54	45 13.282	89 47.557	50+ Plants

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### **APPENDIX B**

Eurasian watermilfoil survey – 2005

## Eurasian Milfoil Surveys - 2005 Alexander

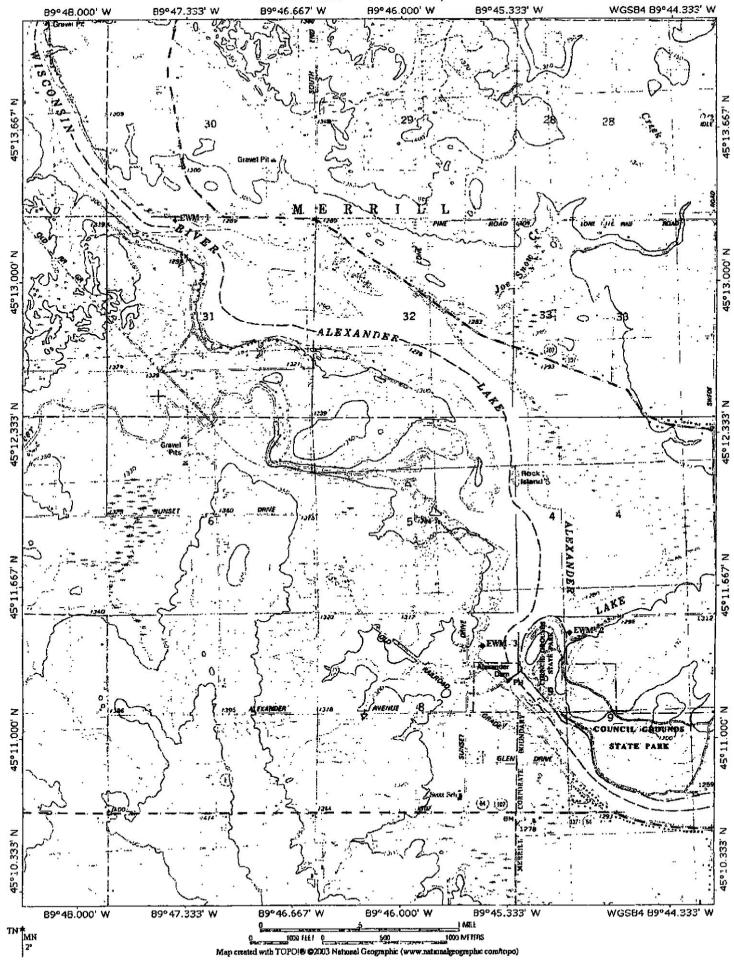
Transect #	0 - 0.5 M	0.5 - 1.5 M	1.5 - 3.0 M	> 3.0 M	Origin
1A	0	0	0	N/A	45 13.266
1B	0	0	Ö	N/A	89 47.399
1C	0	0	O	N/A	
2A	0	0	0	N/A	45 11 460
2B	0	0	0	N/A	89 44.957
2C	0	0	0	N/A	
3A	0	0	0	N/A	45 11.401
3B	0	0	0	N/A	89 45.488
3C	0	0	Ö	N/A	

N/A: Not Applicable

Abundance Scale: 0-Absent, 1-Present, 2-Presence Less Than Half, 3-Equal Presence Compared to Other Species,

4-Dominant Species Present, 5-Total Infestation

Note: All transects are 40 feet in length and proceed in an easterly direction from their origin.



# APPENDIX C Zebra Mussel Survey – 2005

## ZEBRA MUSSEL INSPECTION RESULTS ALEXANDER HYDROELECTRIC PROJECTS

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DATE:	
COMMENTS/RESULTS:	

### ATTACHMENT A

### ZEBRA MUSSEL INSPECTION RESULTS ALEXANDER HYDROELECTRIC PROJECTS

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### ATTACHMENT A

### ZEBRA MUSSEL INSPECTION RESULTS ALEXANDER HYDROELECTRIC PROJECTS

DATE: 5/2003 COMMENTS/RESULTS:	☐ INSPECTION DURING DRAWDOWN
INSPECTION TYPE: AMONTHLY INSPECTION DATE: 4 14005 COMMENTS/RESULTS:	☐ INSPECTION DURING DRAWDOWN
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## APPENDIX D DOCUMENTATION OF SUBMITTAL - 2005



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