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FERC Project No. 2433 - 035

Mr. David P. Boergers, Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Mail Code: DTCA, HL 21.3 888 First Street, N.E. Washington, DC 20426

Dear Secretary Boergers:

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Grand Rapids Hydroelectric Project Purple Loosestrife Monitoring

As per the Order Modifying and Approving Purple Loosestrife and Eurasian Milfoil Monitoring Plan dated January 2, 1998, Wisconsin Public Service (WPSC) has completed the survey for Purple loosestrife (*Lythrum salicaria*) for the Grand Rapids Hydroelectric Project (FERC Project No. 2433) in 2000.

The impoundment was surveyed by systematically meandering along the shoreline of the reservoir. No colonies of Purple Loosestrife were identified during the survey. Documentation of submittal of the survey results to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR), Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) is included in Appendix 1.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Shawn Puzen at (920) 433-1094.

Sincerely,

Charles A. Schrock

Senior Vice President - Energy Supply

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Enclosure

cc: Mr. Gil Snyder, WPSC - Pulliam

Ms. Peggy Harding, FERC - Chicago

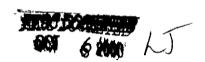
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Appendix 1 Documentation of Submittal



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Mr. Chris Freiberger Michigan Dept. of Natural Resources Stevens T. Mason Building P. O. Box 30028 Lansing, MI 48909-7528

Dear Chris:

Grand Rapids Hydroelectric Project Purple Loosestrife Survey

Wisconsin Public Service Corporation completed the survey for the presence of Purple Loosestrife (*Lythrum salicaria*) at the Grand Rapids Hydroelectric Project (FERC Project No. 2433) for 2000. The survey did not identify the presence of the species within the project boundary.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (920) 433-1094. Thank you.

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Mr. Jim Fossum U. S. Fish & Wildlife Service 1015 Challenger Court Green Bay, WI 54311

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Mr. Tom Meronek Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources P. O. Box 127 411 E. Front St. Peshtigo, WI 54157

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