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December 5, 2013

FERC Project No. 2433

Ms. Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary  
The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First Street NE  
Washington, DC 20426

Dear Secretary Bose:

**Purple Loosestrife Surveys for the Grand Rapids Hydroelectric Project No. 2433**

As per the Order Amending Approved Noxious Plants Monitoring Plans dated May 10, 1999, Wisconsin Public Service Corporation (WPS) is required to submit the results of the purple loosestrife monitoring surveys. A purple loosestrife survey was conducted on July 25, 2013. No purple loosestrife was observed.

WPS provided the 2013 Purple Loosestrife Survey Results for the Grand Rapids Hydroelectric Project to the resource agencies on September 5, 2013. The WDNR provided comments on November 13, 2013. Documentation of Consultation is included in Appendix A.

Should you have any questions relative to this material, please do not hesitate to contact Jamie Nuthals at (920) 433-1460.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Jensky'.

Terry P. Jensky  
Vice President – Generation Assets

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Enc:

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# **APPENDIX A**

## **DOCUMENTATION OF CONSULTATION**

# **WDNR COMMENTS**

## **Nuthals, James D**

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**From:** Laatsch, Cheryl - DNR [Cheryl.Laatsch@wisconsin.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 13, 2013 9:13 AM  
**To:** Nuthals, James D  
**Subject:** Grandrapids - PL DNR comments

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Jamie – let me know if you wanna discuss the agency comments.

WPS PLS Report for Project 2433 dated 10/28/2013-

This report indicated no PLS was observed during the survey. A map of the project boundary and sample locations would be a great candidate to upload into SWIMS so that we could pull it and see where they looked. It would also be great if they could provide information on observations of any other non-native invasive species and use already established DNR forms to track all other species observations.

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# **WPS RESPONSE**

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The Surface Water Integrated Monitoring System (SWIMS) is a WDNR data system. The WDNR can choose to include this data into the SWIMS database as they see fit.

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