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Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 1st Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20426

Stevens Point Hydroelectric Project, FERC No. 2110 – Article 405, Exotic Species Monitoring Report – 2012

Dear Secretary:

In accordance with the order approving the Exotic Species Control Plan, Consolidated Water Power Company (CWPCo) is filing the monitoring report for 2012.

CWPCo conducted monitoring during the summer of 2012 on the above Project. Inspections were completed by vehicle and boat (where necessary); vehicle on August 6th week and boat August 14th. No observances of Eurasian milfoil or curly-leaf pondweed or zebra mussels were noted.

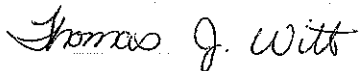
The purple loosestrife plant count was slightly higher than 2011 with one new site observed. Overall, the purple loosestrife was observed with a significant increase in beetle activity at over 80% of the observed sites. For smaller plant count sites, the plants were removed down to the root system. For larger colonies (5 plants to 50 plants), the flower plant tops were removed. In 2011, CWPCo introduced beetles as a biocontrol to a site below the Stevens Point dam in the tailrace area. This effort was continued in 2012 as an effective way to control purple loosestrife. This area was observed with light beetle activity in 2012. Efforts will continue with the beetle introduction to help control the spread of purple loosestrife. A Purple Loosestrife publication (PUBL-WM-250-95) provided by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources is provided to the public when they request copies of our recreation map. These will continue to be distributed.

CWPCo operating and maintenance personnel informally monitor for the presence of zebra mussels during the course of their normal work duties. No zebra mussel observations were reported in 2012 during such activities as hydro turbine repairs, trashrack intake cleaning, underwater gate slot repairs (August – September 2012) gate operation (October 2012, most gates tested for annual operation), safety bouy usage or along the dry, exposed shoreline. CWPCo will continue with the annual monitoring and formal biennial reporting. The next formal report including tabular data is due to the FERC by December 31, 2013.

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact CWPCo at (715)-422-3927 or e-mail us at tom.witt@newpagecorp.com.

Sincerely,

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Attachments: none

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