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Re: Rhinelander Hydroelectric Project
FERC Project No. 2161
2013 Invasive Species Report for the Rhinelander Hydroelectric Project, Rhinelander, Oneida
County, Wisconsin

Dear Cheryl,

Pursuant to Article 406 of its FERC license for the Rhinelander Hydroelectric Project (FERC Project 2161) Expera Specialty Solutions LLC, is obligated to monitor invasive species. Reports are submitted to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Wisconsin DNR for agency review and comment.

A copy of this letter along with the report will be sent and E Mailed. Please submit your comments as a separate document, per our previous correspondence, by December 16, 2013. If you have no comment, we would appreciate receiving a word to the effect. In the absence of response we will assume that comments are not forthcoming.

The results of the water specimens for zebra mussel veligers and spiny water fleas are not available at this time. Expera Specialty Solutions will provide an updated report if positive results are detected.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your attention and consideration.

Sincerely,



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