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Attn: Adam Freihoefer

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Re: Racine Water Diversion

Gentlemen,

I would like to go on record as opposing the diversion of 7 million gallon of Lake Michigan Water to the Town of Pleasant Prairie on the following grounds:

1. The request should be coming from the Village of Pleasant Prairie as it is the straddling community that will receive the Lake Michigan water for use in the Mississippi River watershed.
2. As the Village of Pleasant Prairie is the straddling community, the request for a diversion of Lake Michigan water to areas west of the divide would be subject to the conditions set forth in the Great Lakes Compact and subject to the approval of the Governors of the states surrounding the Great Lakes.
3. The Compact requires that the water, less consumptive use, be returned to the Great Lakes. It appears from reports that the consumptive use could be excessive approaching 3 million gallons per day.
4. The City of Racine may enter into a contract with Village of Pleasant Prairie to provide water for them, but the City of Racine application to the DNR should be to extend their water service area, not for the diversion itself.
5. The Great Lakes Compact requires that the diversion be for public use only, not for business purposes.
6. A comprehensive Environmental Impact Study should be required to determine what pollutants would in the return flow to Lake Michigan and whether Pleasant Prairie or Racine have the capabilities to remove such pollutants.
7. There has been no review of Village of Pleasant Prairie's water conservation plan and how that would it affect the diversion as set forth in the Great Lakes Compact..

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

David Gennrich