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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

Daniel Meyer, Secretary  
Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources  
Post Office Box 7921  
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Dear Mr. Meyer:

In a July 18, 2011 letter, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency notified the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources of 75 omissions or discrepancies (Issues) between Wisconsin's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program's statutes and rules and the corresponding federal requirements. Since then, through the Legal Authority Review process, our respective staffs have been working together to resolve the identified Issues. This letter acknowledges the resolution of 20 of the 75 Issues as a result of revisions made by Wisconsin to the rules found at Wis. Admin. Code NR Chapters 106 and 205.

After evaluating the rule submissions, EPA has determined that Wisconsin's rule revisions have addressed those Issues identified in EPA's 2011 letter as Issues 2, 8, 17, 28, 30, 31, 32, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 70, 71 and 74. Our review has determined that Wisconsin's rules set forth in Wis. Admin. Code NR Chapters 106 and 205 as they relate to the aforementioned Issues now conform to applicable federal NPDES program statutes and regulations, and EPA is hereby approving these minor revisions to Wisconsin's program consistent with 40 C.F.R. § 123.62(b)(3). Therefore, the 20 Issues listed above are resolved.

Documents related to EPA's review and resolution of these Issues can be found at:  
<https://www.epa.gov/wi/npdes-petition-program-withdrawal-wisconsin-0>.

We appreciate the ongoing and dedicated efforts of your staff to work toward the timely resolution of these and the remaining Issues. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robert A. Kaplan".

Robert A. Kaplan  
Acting Regional Administrator

cc: Patrick Stevens, Administrator, Division of Water, WDNR