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February 23, 1998

John Roberts, Senior Project Manager ERM-North Central, Inc. 611 E. Wisconsin Ave., Suite 560 Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202

Re: Midco WDW-1

Dear Mr. Roberts:

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- 2. Section 12.2 of the UIWAP shall be revised to provide for submittal of future amended UIWAPs within 90 months from approval of the previous amended UIWAP.
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- The Settling Defendants shall maintain the female coupling and valve on the wellhead for use for independent injection pressure readings.
- ∠ 5. In item 5 of Section 13.11 of the UIWAP, the reporting procedures included in subsections a) b) and c) shall be removed, since they are not being required.

If you have any questions or concerns feel free to call me at (312) 886-4740 or David Werbach at (312) 886-4242.

Sincerely yours,

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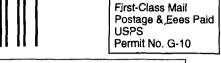
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