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Reply to the Attention Of: SR-6J

September 23, 2011

Mr. Todd Konechne The Dow Chemical Company 1111 Washington Street Midland, MI 48640

RE: Task 2.2 Bank Face Sampling Work Plan Tittabawassee River, Saginaw River & Bay Site, Michigan EPA Document #EPA2011.016

Dear Mr. Konechne:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), in consultation with the Michigan Department of Environment Quality, (jointly, the Agencies) has reviewed the Task 2.2 Bank Face Sampling Work Plan for the Tittabawassee River, Saginaw River & Bay Site, dated August 8, 2011. The Task 2.2 Bank Face Sampling Work Plan was submitted by The Dow Chemical Company (Dow) pursuant to requirements of the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent (AOC), and Task 2 of the Statement of Work – Appendix A to the AOC.

The Agencies have reviewed the Task 2.2 Bank Face Sampling Work Plan in accordance with Sections X and XI of the AOC. In accordance with paragraph 37 of the AOC, EPA is approving the Task 2.2 Bank Face Sampling Work Plan. As we discussed and agreed this week, Dow will retain each of the vertical transect composites until we determine if additional analyses are needed. Dow is authorized to implement the work. Please keep the Agencies informed of work progress and schedule so that we may determine appropriate oversight.

Please contact me at (312) 886-4699 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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