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Re: Transition of the Enbridge Line 6B Oil Spill Cleanup Site to MDEQ

Dear Ms. DeLong and Mr. Ducharme,

This letter is to memorialize the transition discussion we have had and continue to have for the Enbridge Line 6b Oil Spill cleanup site. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is overseeing and directing the last components of the Work required by Enbridge pursuant to EPA's Administrative Order issued in March 2013. At the same time, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) has signed and is implementing its own work plan with Enbridge to oversee and evaluate Enbridge compliance with site restoration, submerged oil monitoring/maintenance in the river, and any potential further cleanup actions, which may be warranted based on State of Michigan environmental regulations.

As we have discussed, the work that MDEQ plans going forward is consistent with what EPA has previously directed Enbridge to do, or could direct Enbridge to do, under the current Work Plans and supplements to those Plans.

Enbridge is currently required to adhere to all of the Work Plans submitted to and approved by EPA since the onset of the project, unless that Work Plan has been completed or formally suspended. Based on the information in your newly signed work plan with Enbridge, EPA has determined that MDEQ is in a position to be the lead government agency for the long term monitoring, maintenance, and any future work requirements that Enbridge must comply with. Therefore, EPA's Work Plans will be complete once the Morrow Lake/Delta dredge and disposal is complete.

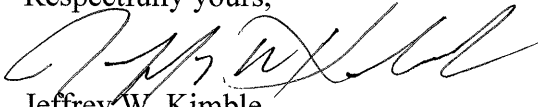
Since MDEQ's new work plan covers poling of submerged oil, monitoring and maintenance of sediment traps, and remediation of impacted areas should MDEQ deem it appropriate, EPA does not plan to direct Enbridge to conduct those types of activities on a going forward basis. EPA does, however, expect Enbridge to complete the currently active dredging and disposal activities in the Morrow Lake/Delta required by EPA's March 2013 Order.

Consistent with our transition discussions, EPA will refer any questions from the public or private sector about the current status of the cleanup or potential actions to your respective offices should we receive these questions after the Work required by our March 2013 Order is complete.

Finally, EPA remains interested in transitioning the hydrodynamic model to MDEQ for your use in the project going forward. We are still awaiting the specific list of your requested model runs to help you in your project management efforts. Please get this to us so that we may complete these tasks before the last field day on site.

Please feel free to discuss this letter with me in person, via email at kimble.jeffrey@epa.gov or via phone at 734.692.7688.

Respectfully yours,



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