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Shaun Kavajecz
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Re: Enbridge Energy, LP, Southern Access Expansion Project
Chapter 30/Water Quality Certification Permit Decision

Dear Mr. Kavajecz:

The Department has completed review of the proposal to cross 242 waterways, placing temporary bridges and related structures in or adjacent to navigable waterways, to grade in excess of 10,000 square feet on bank, to remove materials from below the ordinary high water mark of navigable waterways, and to discharge fill in 757 wetlands (listed in Table 1 of the permit), for the purpose of constructing a 42" petroleum pipeline, and a 20" diluent return pipeline from Superior to near Whitewater, Wisconsin. We have determined that the project meets state standards.

Enclosed is a Chapter 30 Permit/State Water Quality Certification, which approves the project and lists the conditions that must be followed. Please read the permit/certification carefully. You are required to supply a copy of this decision to all affected landowners and all interested parties, as well as adjacent riparians.

The Wetland Water Quality Certification decision becomes final on December 29, 2006, unless an objection is filed and a hearing is requested. The Chapter 30 decision is final. Notice of Appeal Rights for the Chapter 30 Permit and State Water Quality Certification are included at the end of the permit.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (608) 266-3524.

Sincerely,

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