## STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Notice of Renewal Application for Individual Water Use Permit: Wisconsin Electric Power Company Valley Power Plant

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to s. 281.346(5), Wis. Stats., the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR), 101 S. Webster St., Madison, WI 53707, has received a Water Use Individual Permit renewal application from Wisconsin Electric Power Company (d/b/a We Energies) for Valley Power Plant. The DNR requires Water Use Individual Permits for withdrawals in the Great Lakes Basin for any person who has a water supply system or systems on a property that withdraws at least 1,000,000 gallons of water per day for any 30 consecutive days.

Wisconsin Electric Power Company (d/b/a We Energies) Valley Power Plant, 1035 West Canal Street, Milwaukee, WI 53233, installed new circulating water pumps to replace pumps original to the facility. The new capacity of all combined withdrawal sources on the property is 176,000,000 gallons per day, which represents an increase over the current permit withdrawal amount of 158,400,000 gallons per day. The incremental water loss from the increased withdrawal is estimated to be 176,000 gallons per day. The majority of water withdrawn (over 99.9%) is used as once-through, non-contact cooling water and is returned to the South Menomonee Canal or Menomonee River.

The DNR will review the application in accordance with NR 860, Wis. Admin. Code. If interested in a copy of the application, contact: Nicole Clayton, DNR DG/5, PO BOX 7921, Madison, WI 53707-7921, telephone 608-206-2510, email Nicole.Clayton@wisconsin.gov.

Any person may submit written comments to the address above by US mail or email. Comments must be postmarked no later than 30 days following the date of publication of this notice. The DNR will consider all comments submitted during the 30-day comment period before issuing the Water Use Individual Permit to Valley Power Plant.

Any person may request a public hearing by writing to the address above, postmarked no later than 30 days following the publication of this notice. A request for hearing must indicate the interests of the requestor and the reasons why a hearing is warranted. The reasons shall relate to the legal requirements for the Water Use Individual Permit for Valley Power Plant.

Reasonable accommodation, including the provision of informational material in an alternative format, will be provided for qualified individuals with disabilities upon request.

## WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES For the Secretary

Director, Bureau of Drinking Water and Groundwater

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