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IN REPLY REFER TO:

July 30, 2008

Mr. Ben Baker
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Dear Mr. Baker,

On behalf of the Trustees for the Natural Resource Damage Assessment pertaining to releases of hazardous substances at and from Dow's Midland manufacturing plant property, I am providing you with our comments following a preliminary review of Saginaw River and Floodplain and Saginaw Bay, Michigan, Remedial Investigation Work Plan, Volume 1 of 3, including appendices, and the Current Conditions Report for Saginaw Bay Basin, Saginaw River, Floodplain, and Bay.

These comments are based on our initial review of these documents. We expect to continue to review these documents and discuss them with Dow and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 517-351-8324 or lisa_williams@fws.gov.

Sincerely,

Lisa L. Williams, Ph.D.
Lead Administrative Trustee

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