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Honorable Mayor and Members of the Common Council  
City of Racine  
Racine City Hall  
730 Washington Avenue  
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Dear Mayor and Council Members:

I hereby request permission to apply for and accept funds in the amount of \$175,140 from WE Energies, Fund for Lake Michigan for the Baseline Assessment of Water Quality in Support of the Root River Restoration Plan.

The funds will be used to conduct chemical, microbial, and physical baseline assessments on the mainstem of the Root River (inclusive of sites within the City of Racine) and its tributary creeks in support of a watershed-based Root River restoration plan. Adequate restoration cannot proceed without being grounded in sound science. Many locations have had little to no water quality assessments since 1964. The Racine Health Department Laboratory is recognized regionally as an expert in conducting these types of assessments and, as the City of Racine is the ultimate recipient of any upstream pollutant loading, watershed restoration is of local benefit.

There is no match required of the City. The contract period is from May, 2011 through May, 2013. The grant control number is 2011-012.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "D Bowersox", is written over a faint, larger version of the same signature.

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*"Caring for the Community"*