

July 21, 1992

Jim Ludwig 5157 M 52 South Stockbridge, MI 49285

Dear Jim,

As we discussed I am writing to confirm our phone conversation of July 17, 1992 regarding your research project funded by the Great Lakes Protection Fund and the Upjohn Company.

Your research project has been officially suspended due to an outbreak of Newcastle's disease in the cormorant colonies. Due to the emergency nature of this situation your report to Great Lakes United, due on July 31, 1992, will be delayed. You indicated in our conversation that, barring the need for further services from you during this emergency, you would develop a summary of your field observations, develop an accounting for all expenses up until the time of the suspension (July 12, 1992), and prepare and send to Great Lakes United an audited financial statement and report by mid-August.

We are deeply disappointed, not only at the deaths that this disease will cause in the cormorant colonies and in domestic fowl populations, but also on the devastating impacts this could have on your research. Your research has filled a tremendous knowledge void on the impacts of toxic chemicals on the Great Lakes Basin ecosystem.

If any further delays arise, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Karen Murphy

Field Coordinator

cc: Fred Brown
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