



March 24, 2015

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
Solid Waste Bureau Director
Attn: Ann Coakley
101 S. Webster Street
Madison, WI 53703

Ms. Coakley:

Re: Wisconsin Statute 295.465
PreApplication Withdrawal

On June 17, 2013, Gogebic Taconite, LLC submitted to your agency a PreApplication Notice for a ferrous mining project located in Iron and Ashland County. The PreApplication Notice gave your agency notification of the intention to file an Application for a mining permit after at least 12 months. The filing of the PreApplication Notice also required that funding for the Department's evaluation of the mining project was initiated.

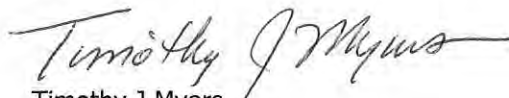
Gogebic Taconite, LLC notifies your agency through this letter that the PreApplication activity is being withdrawn. With this Withdrawal notification, DNR's evaluation of the mining project is no longer reimbursable. Please provide us with a final billing as described under Wisconsin Statutes 295.73 (3)(a).

This follows the February 27, 2015 announcement of the closing of our Hurley office. Site activity responsibility will continue with personnel maintaining the facilities in place including exploration sites, bulk sampling sites and groundwater wells.

Any questions should be directed to our Hurley office at (715) 561-2601. Our mailing address is:

Gogebic Taconite, LLC
402 Silver Street
Hurley, WI 54534

Sincerely,


Timothy J. Myers
Authorized Person