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PORTAGE COUNTY

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Mayor Andrew Halverson
1515 Strongs Avenue
Stevens Point, WI 54481

Dear Mayor Halverson:

Last night the Hull Board of Supervisors met with a large group of Hull citizens who had lost or had a diminished water supply. I write this letter on their behalf.

Please be informed that Town of Hull homeowners residing in the vicinity of Well #11 have experienced significant drop in the water tables serving their homes to the extent that many lost their water supply entirely. Many believe the cause of the drop was the installation of Well #11. Hull officials and citizen assessment of water lost is on-going. From calls to our office and additional outreach we believe the number of new wells and pumps could exceed forty (40). The cost for a new well and pump is about \$7,000. This is a serious financial hardship and very disruptive for many Hull households.

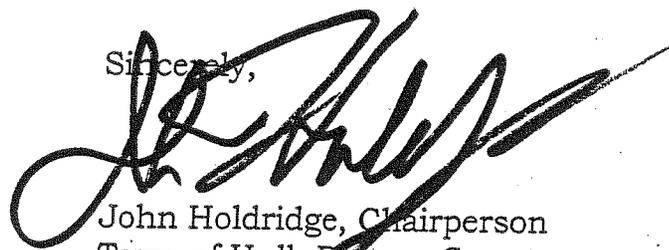
My understanding is that prior to Well 11 installation in 2010, Stevens Point reached an agreement with approximately forty-four (44) Hull homeowners living in the vicinity of Well #11. Stevens Point conducted pre and post testing of water level before and after Well #11 operations. Town of Hull was left out of the loop and contact was directly between Stevens Point and Hull homeowners. As the Town of Hull attempts to investigate water decrease, please identify those Hull households whose water data Stevens Point collected and share that data with us. Were these formal confidential agreements in which both Stevens Point officials and Hull households signed off on? We are trying to understand the decreasing water table.

It is becoming increasingly apparent even to the casual observer that Stevens Point installation and operation of Well #11 has negatively impacted Hull households. The extent of that impact needs further investigation.

Let us be clear Mayor, the water drawdown is a major financial and social crisis for many households in Hull. Going forward how can Stevens Point assist Hull households as they face these unanticipated events? This may be a continuing future issue as Stevens Point increases its water usage of Well 11.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Holdridge', written over the typed name.

John Holdridge, Chairperson
Town of Hull, Portage County

Cc: Hull Board of Supervisors
Janet Wolle, Clerk

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