## State of Wisconsin DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES 1300 W. Clairemont Ave. Eau Claire WI 54701

Tony Evers, Governor Preston D. Cole, Secretary Telephone 608-266-2621 Toll Free 1-888-936-7463 TTY Access via relay - 711



March 30, 2022

Mr. Evan Schreiner Wauleco, Inc. 18 North Point Drive Stevens Point, WI 54481

## Subject: Technical Assistance Review – Bio-Trap Study Results Wauleco, Inc., 125 Rosecrans Street, Wausau, WI 54402 DNR BRRTS# 02-37-000006

Dear Mr. Schreiner:

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) received the above referenced report and a request for technical assistance review on January 18, 2022. Additionally, a meeting to discuss results of the study was held on March 10, 2022 to discuss the technical aspects of the report. The appropriate fees in accordance with Wis. Admin. Code Ch. NR 749 were received as well.

The DNR concurs with the report findings stating that pentachlorophenol (PCP) is biodegrading at the Wauleco site. Quantification of enriched phospholipid fatty acid (PLFA) and dissolved inorganic carbon (DIC) demonstrates metabolism of PCP into existing site biomass. While the report identified ranges of high, medium, and low total biomass values, average and maximum enriched PLFA delta, and DIC delta, a decay rate for residual PCP at the site was not established in this report.

Future discussions regarding potential paths forward should incorporate the information provided by this report; the DNR looks forward to discussing these options in the coming months.

Sincerely,

Matt Thompson Hydrogeologist West Central Region

Cc: Bruce Iverson, TRC Companies Ken Quinn, TRC Companies

