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Andrew Williams, President
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Re: *Grant to Mississippi Valley Conservancy*

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Dear Mr. Williams:

I am writing to acknowledge and thank you for the \$1,214.81 grant awarded by Endow-Bio, Inc. to Mississippi Valley Conservancy in January 2013. The grant provides important funding needed to further acquisition of conservation land of which MVC will retain title.

MVC continues work to acquire a 398-acre parcel in Grant County, Wisconsin. The "Boscobel Bluffs" Tract is comprised of remnant native prairie, intact oak savanna, southern dry, dry-mesic, and mesic forest, it overlooks the Wisconsin River and has wind-blown sand dunes. The context, juxtaposition, scenic, and ecological values make this acquisition a high priority, especially for the size and quality of the prairies and oak savannas. Rare species have been observed on the property including the endangered ornate box turtle and wild petunia; and the state threatened hooded warbler, and tuberous Indian plantain. Restoration and management will focus on preserving and restoring existing rare natural communities. The land will be open to the public for hiking, bird watching, hunting, snowshoeing and cross-country skiing, and it will be made available for nature education and scientific research.

Should this particular property not be acquired, Mississippi Valley Conservancy will use these funds to acquire other wild land over which MVC expects to retain title for native habitat protection.

Again, thank you for your tremendous support.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tim Jacobson", written over a horizontal line.

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