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ANSWER SHEET: Questionnaire on Fiscal Year 2003 Activities

Quantitative Data	H2 <u>0</u> %	L4	Attached Material
B1 <u>ND</u>	Н3 _0	L5	Narrative Responses (check if present):
B2 <u>\$ 0</u>	H4 <u>0</u>	L6	A1 B5
B3 <u>ND</u>	H5 <u>0</u>	L7	B6 D7 <u>X</u> _
B4 <u>\$ 0</u>	I1 <u>\$ 0</u>	L8	E3 F3
C1 <u>ND</u>	I2 <u>\$ 0</u>	L9	H6 H7
D1_8	Land-managing agencies only, Sections J-L	L10	H8 I3
D2 <u>0</u>	J1	L11	J6 K4
D3 <u>0</u>	J2	L12	L20 L21
D4 <u>0</u>	J3	L13	LOOT form(s)
D5 <u>0</u>	J4	L14 \$	included: NA #
D6 <u>0</u>	J5	L15 \$	Computer disk accompanying: 0
E1 <u>0</u>	K1	L16 \$	P h o t o g r a p h s
E2 <u>0</u>	K2	L17 \$	accompanying: 0
F1 <u>0</u>	K3	L18 \$	Other materials accompanying: 0
F2 <u>0</u>	L1	L19\$	
G1 <u>0</u>	L2		
H1 <u>0</u>	L3		

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Section A. Agency Archeology Program Highlights

A1. Briefly (200 words or less) describe one exemplary project or program conducted by your office in this reporting year highlighting its public benefits and research benefits. N/A

Sect	ion B. Pa	rticip	pation, Education, and Outreach in the Agency Archeology Program
	ND	B1.	Number of partnership agreements (e.g. cooperative, cost-share, interagency, research) in the archeology program. Do not include contracts.
\$	0	B2.	Total dollar value of contributions provided by partners (e.g. money, services)
]	ND	В3.	Volunteer hours contributed to the agency for the benefit of archeology
\$	0	B4.	Total dollar value of work performed by volunteers
B5.		-	0 words or less) describe one exemplary partnership, education, or outreach oduct conducted by your office in the reporting year.
B6. ND	If need	ded, c	clarify responses to questions about participation, education, and outreach.
Sect	ion C. A	rcheo	ological Overview
]	ND	C1.	Number of area-wide overviews and non-project planning under ARPA and NHPA (e.g. base comprehensive plans, Forest overviews, preservation plans, historic context statements)
unde	rtakings a	and ac	Plogical Identification and Evaluation [This section includes Section 106 ctivities under Section 110 of NHPA and ARPA conducted on <u>federal and non-federal</u> or funded by agency or non-agency entities in the reporting year.]
	8	D1.	Number of projects for which there were database and file searches, literature reviews and map checks that resulted in a file letter, report, or other documentation
	0	D2.	Number of field studies to identify and evaluate archeological sites
	0	D3.	Number of acres inventoried in the reporting year
	0	D4.	Number of archeological sites identified in the reporting year
	0	D5.	Number of archeological sites determined eligible for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) by the Keeper or through documented consultation with the SHPO in the reporting year (note that D5 is for this reporting year and that J4 is cumulative for all years).

FY 2003 Archeologi	ical Activities	Agency: <u>Nuclear Regulatory Commission</u>			
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<u>0</u> D6.	•	l (e.g. anti-vandalism signs, fences, road ort each archeological site protected only once.			
		cheological identification and evaluation. Please luated sites and whether these are issues worth			
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collection, and exc destruction or distu 110 of NHPA and	urbance. This section includes Section	y projects include recordation, surface effects to an archeological site threatened by 106 undertakings and activities under Section ederal land and performed or funded by agency			
E1.	. Number of archeological data recove	ry projects			
0 E2.	. Number of archeological sites on wh	ich data recovery was undertaken			
E3. If needed,	clarify responses to questions about arc	cheological data recovery.			
properties discover for undertakings co	red unexpectedly subsequent to agency onducted on federal and non-federal lar the reporting year.] Include undertaking	This section provides data on archeological completion of the NHPA Section 106 review and and performed or funded by agency or nong in year it is identified even if work won't			
<u> </u>	. Number of undertakings resulting in resources	the discovery of unanticipated archeological			
0 F2.	resources that required data recovery	the discovery of unanticipated archeological of significant archeological resources. Include gh work won't occur until next reporting year.			
F3. If needed,	clarify responses to questions about un	anticipated archeological discoveries.			

Section G. Archeological Information Management

G1. Describe how the agency is maintaining and improving the management of records for collections, permits, sites, and inventory. Include a description of any data-sharing efforts between your office and other organizations. If there is no change from previous years, indicate no change.

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Section	on H. A	rcheo	ological Collections Management		
	0	H1.	Number of items/lots or cubic feet of material remains (artifacts, samples) curated in all repositories (Because reporting systems vary, please explain dimension used here in H8).		
<u>%</u>	0	H2.	Percentage of amount identified in H1 that is accessioned and cataloged.		
	0	Н3.	Number of linear feet of records associated with stored archeological materials		
	0	H4.	Number of federal museums/repositories curating agency collections		
	0	H5.	Number of non-federal museums/repositories curating agency collections		
H6. N/A			the agency policy for management and preservation of its collections established or , if different? How is it being implemented?		
H7.	List the museums/repositories curating agency collections. If there is no change from previous years, indicate no change.				
H8. N/A	If nee	eded,	clarify responses to questions above about archeological collections management.		
Section	on I. Co	st an	d Benefits of Archeology Program		
\$	0	_ I1.	Total amount allocated (directly from Congress or as a result of internal agency allocations) to the cultural resource management program that is used for archeological activities		
\$	0	_ I2.	Total amount allocated to other agency programs (e.g. timber, construction, permits, licenses, grants) that are used for archeological activities		
I3. N/A		_	gency have information on economic benefits from archeology, such as recreation days and dollars spent by visitors on heritage tourism? If so, describe.		
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<u>AGE</u>	NCIES T	HAT	A OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE (Sections J-L) IS TO BE COMPLETED BY MANAGE FEDERAL OR INDIAN LAND. If you are answering from a regional,		
			office, please provide figures only for your region. The headquarters office of each e information to provide an agency-wide response.		
Section	on J. Ar	cheo	logical Resource Base on Federal and Indian Lands		
Quest	ions J1-J	I6 cal	for the best possible estimates for all prior years through the reporting year.		
		J1.	Total acres inventoried on agency-managed land		

L5. Number of individual(s) prosecuted under ARPA.

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L21. Describe effective projects, methods, and techniques the agency has used to improve

archeological protection programs. Examples include development of incident reporting systems, the use of remote sensing equipment for site monitoring, and interagency cooperation by law enforcement, justice and cultural resources staff.

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ATTACHMENT TO ANSWER SHEET

D7 If needed, clarify responses to questions about archeological identification and evaluation

Clarification to D1: Carolina Power and Light Company (CP&L), the licensee for H.B. Robinson Steam Electric Plant (Robinson), submitted an application for license renewal on June 14, 2002. Although the site audit (which included a tour of the area of potential effects (APE)) and initial file searches and consultation were carried out in fiscal year 2002, ongoing consultation carried over into fiscal year 2003. The NRC staff has corresponded with members of the South Carolina Department of Archives and History (SCDAH) and published a draft supplemental environmental impact statement (DSEIS) for public comment in May 2003. Further consultation with SCDAH resulted in the preparation of a Robinson-specific cultural resources narrative. The NRC's records search revealed that the cemetery for the Wiley-Warren Farm was probably located near the Robinson Visitors Center, but construction records and pictures showed no evidence of the cemetery. No additional new sites were identified via a records search. The applicant has indicated that major refurbishment of Robinson (within the APE) is not expected during the license renewal period, and it is not anticipated that there will be any further disturbance within the undeveloped portions of the Robinson site.

Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation (RG&E), the licensee for R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant (Ginna), submitted an application for license renewal on July 30, 2002. Although the site audit (which included a tour of the APE) and initial file searches and consultation were carried out in fiscal year 2002, ongoing consultation carried over into fiscal year 2003. The NRC staff has corresponded with members of the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation (OPRHP) and prepared a draft supplemental environmental impact statement (DSEIS) for public comment in June 2003. No new sites were identified as a result of this effort. However, there is one structure on the site, the Brookwood Estate Manor House, which has not been formally evaluated for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), but is potentially eligible for listing. The proposed action includes no new construction or refurbishment within the license renewal period.

South Carolina Electric and Gas Company (SCE&G), the licensee for Virgil C. Summer Nuclear Station (V.C. Summer), submitted an application for license renewal on August 6, 2002. Although the site audit (which included a tour of the APE) and initial file searches and consultation were carried out in fiscal year 2002, ongoing consultation carried over into fiscal year 2003. The NRC staff has corresponded with members of the South Carolina Department of Archives and History (SCDAH) and prepared a draft supplemental environmental impact statement (DSEIS) for public comment in May 2003. Further consultation with SCDAH resulted in the preparation of a V.C. Summer-specific cultural resources narrative in which no new sites were identified. The applicant has stated that major refurbishment of V.C. Summer (within the APE) is not required during the license renewal period, and that use of currently undeveloped portions of the site (outside the APE) is not expected during the license renewal period, and it is not anticipated that there will be any further disturbance within the undeveloped portions of the V.C. Summer site.

Exelon Generation Company, LLC (Exelon), the licensee for the Dresden Nuclear Power Station (Dresden) and Quad Cities Nuclear Power Station (Quad Cities), submitted a dual application for license renewal on January 3, 2003. During the review of the Quad Cities application and subsequent environmental site audit (which included a tour of the APE), the

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NRC conducted file searches at repositories in Illinois. No new sites were identified through records search. The NRC has corresponded with the Illinois State Preservation Agency (SHPO), and has prepared a draft supplemental environmental impact statement (DSEIS) for public comment. A copy of the DSEIS was forwarded it to the Illinois SHPO for review. The applicant has indicated that no refurbishment or land-disturbing activities will take place within the APE or within the transmission corridors during the license renewal term.

During the review of the Dresden application and environmental site audit (which included a tour of the APE), the NRC conducted file searches at repositories in Illinois. No new sites were identified through records search. Dresden, Unit 1, which is no longer operational, is listed as an American Nuclear Society Landmark. It operated from 1959 to 1978. Dresden Unit 1 is approaching 50 years in age, and may be considered for listing on the NRHP. The NRC has corresponded with the Illinois SHPO, and has prepared a draft supplemental environmental impact statement (DSEIS) for public comment. A copy of the DSEIS was forwarded it to the Illinois SHPO for review. The applicant has indicated that no refurbishment or land-disturbing activities will take place within the APE during the license renewal period.

Southern Nuclear Operating Company (SNC), the licensee for Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant (Farley), submitted an application for license renewal on September 15, 2003. Members of NRC staff and conducted a site audit (which included a tour of the APE) January 5 - 8, 2004. A site file search was held at the University of Alabama's Office of Archaeological Research in Moundville, AL. Correspondence has been initiated with the Alabama Historical Commission, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, and interested Native American tribes during the scoping phase of the NRC review. SNC has stated that there are no plans to alter current operations over the license renewal period. There are no plans for the expansion of existing facilities, and no major structural modifications identified for the purpose of supporting license renewal. In addition no land-disturbing activities are anticipated beyond those of required for routine maintenance and repair.

Exelon Generation Corporation, the licensee for Clinton Nuclear Power Station (Clinton), submitted an application for an Early Site Permit at the Clinton site on September 25, 2003. Members of NRC staff will be conducting a site audit the first week of March. Correspondence has been initiated with the Illinois SHPO, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, and interested Native American tribes during the scoping phase of the NRC review.

Dominion Nuclear North Anna, LLC, the licensee for North Anna Power Station (North Anna), submitted an application for an Early Site Permit at the North Anna site on September 25, 2003. Members of NRC staff conducted a site audit the week of December 8, 2003. Correspondence has been initiated with the Virginia Department of Historic Resources, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, and interested Native American tribes during the scoping phase of the NRC review.