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Mr. Jack Cushing  
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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

RE: North Anna Early Site Permit Application (ESP) – Effect Finding  
DHR File No. 2000-1210; NUREG-1811; DEQ #06-125F

Dear Mr. Cushing:

We have received from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) the above-referenced document for review. Our letter of October 20, 2006 regarding the archaeological survey conducted in support of this project found that the two historic-era cemeteries located within the permit area (44LS221 and 44LS222) are potentially eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places and should be avoided or subjected to additional archaeological evaluation. No other archaeological resources were recorded within the permit area. We understand that the NRC will avoid direct impact to the cemeteries; therefore no additional investigations are warranted. Furthermore, our Archives show no historic architectural properties within a mile of the North Anna facility. The Environmental Impact Statement addresses the potential for impacts to the viewshed of surrounding structures and determined that indirect effects would be mitigated by the existing tree buffer and distance to nearby resources.

After consideration of all available information, we concur with your finding that this undertaking will result in *No Adverse Effect* to historic properties provided that the cemeteries are avoided. If changes are made to the scope of the undertaking, please reinstate consultation with our office. Thank you for your cooperation in this review process. If you have any questions about this finding or our review process, please do not hesitate to contact me at (804) 367-2323, ext. 153 or e-mail [roger.kirchen@dhr.virginia.gov](mailto:roger.kirchen@dhr.virginia.gov).

Sincerely,

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