State Historic Preservation Officer ATTN: Mr. Roger Kirchen, Archaeologist Virginia Department of Historic Resources 2801 Kensington Avenue Richmond, VA 23221

SUBJECT:

INITIATION OF THE NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT SECTION 106 PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED LICENSE RENEWAL OF THE BWX TECHNOLOGIES NUCLEAR FUEL FABRICATION FACILITY, LYNCHBURG,

**VIRGINIA** 

Dear Mr. Kirchen:

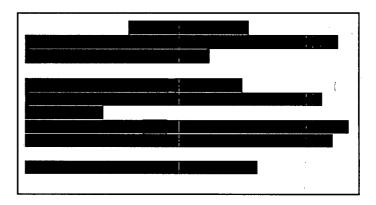
BWX Technologies (BWXT), Nuclear Products Division, has submitted a license renewal application to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to continue operations at their facility in Campbell County, Virginia, near Lynchburg. The NRC is in the initial stages of developing an Environmental Assessment (EA) in conjunction with the review of this license renewal application. A copy of the draft EA is enclosed for your review.

The location of the facility is diagramed in figure 1 and figure 2 of the draft EA. There are no major modifications planned to the existing facility within the

As required by 36 CFR 800.4(a), the NRC is requesting the views of the State Historic Preservation Officer on further actions to identify historic properties that may be affected by the NRC's proposed action to renew the license to allow continued operations at the BWXT facility. After assessing the information provided by you, we will determine what additional actions are necessary to comply with the Section 106 consultation process.

containing and surrounding BWXT, registered historical sites are listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Enclosed is a completed Virginia Department of Historic Resources Project Review Form.



If you have any questions or comments, or need any additional information, please contact Ron C. Linton of my staff at 301-415-7777.

Sincerely,

## /RA/

B. Jennifer Davis, Section Chief Division of Waste Management and Environmental Protection Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards

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## **Enclosures:**

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