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March 23, 2009

Tamra L. Scanlon
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TO EXPEDITE REVIEW USE
BHP REFERENCE NUMBER

Re: ER 2007-1737-043-F
COE: Proposed Temporary Roadway and
Bridge Improvements from Port Deposit
Maryland to Dauphin County, Pennsylvania,
for Oversize Vehicles

Dear Ms. Scanlon:

The Bureau for Historic Preservation (the State Historic Preservation Office) has reviewed the above named project in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended in 1980 and 1992, and the regulations (36 CFR Part 800) of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. These requirements include consideration of the project's potential effect upon both historic and archaeological resources.

There may be historic buildings, structures, and/or archaeological resources located in the project area. In our opinion the activities described in your illustrated project description, dated February 2009, should have no effect on these resources. Should you become aware, from any source, that unidentified historic buildings, structures, and/or archaeological resources are located at the project site, and/or that the project activities will have an effect on these properties, the Bureau for Historic Preservation should immediately be contacted.

During our consultation meeting in our office on February 25, 2009, alternatives to accomplish the crossings of Pequea and Chiques creeks were presented orally. These alternatives, which differed substantially from those presented in the written project description, would involve "overbridge" structures that would require deep footings or "H-piles". If these alternatives are pursued, geomorphology investigations will be required to test for the possibility of intact soils with potential for archaeological remains. If such soils are found to be located in the area of effect, then archaeological investigation to determine if any archaeological resources are actually present will be further required.

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The original plan for Pequea and Chiques creek crossings, as present in the referenced February project descriptions, will have no effect on archaeological or historical resources.

Please contact me at (717) 772-0925 if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. McLearn', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Douglas C. McLearn, Chief
Division of Archaeology &
Protection

cc: COE, Baltimore-District