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Rocco R. Sgarro
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Re: ER# 81-0658-079-II
Phase II Archaeological Investigation of Site 36Lu301.
Bell Bend Nuclear Power Plant, Salem Township, Luzerne
County, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Sgarro:

Thank you for submitting information concerning the above referenced project. The Bureau for Historic Preservation (the State Historic Preservation Office) reviews projects in accordance with state and federal laws. Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, and the implementing regulations (36 CFR Part 800) of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, is the primary federal legislation. The Environmental Rights amendment, Article 1, Section 27 of the Pennsylvania Constitution and the Pennsylvania History Code, 37 Pa. Cons. Stat. Section 500 *et seq.* (1988) is the primary state legislation. These laws include consideration of the project's potential effects on both historic and archaeological resources.

This report meets our standards and specifications as outlined in *Guidelines for Archaeological Investigations in Pennsylvania* (BHP 2008) and the Secretary of the Interior's Guidelines for Archaeological Documentation. This report documents National Register Eligibility evaluation of archaeological site 36Lu301. We agree with the recommendation that this site is not eligible for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places. In our opinion, no further work is necessary at this site.

Please send four copies of the final report (one unbound) for our files and distribution to the repositories. For all copies, photographs must adhere to the National Register Photo Policy.

If you need further information regarding archaeological resources, contact Steven McDougal at (717) 772-0923.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. McLearn'.

Douglas C. McLearn, Chief
Division of Archaeology &
Protection

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