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December 9, 2013

Mr. Jack Cushing
United State Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Office of New Reactors
Mail Stop: T7F7
Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Dear Mr. Cushing:

As Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer for New Jersey, in accordance with 36 CFR Part 800: Protection of Historic Properties, as published with amendments in the Federal Register on 6 July 2004 (69 FR 40544-40555), I am providing **Consultation Comments** for the following proposed undertaking:

**Salem County, Lower Alloways Creek Township
Salem and Hope Creek Generating Station License Renewal
PSEG Early Site Permit (ESP) Application
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission**

800.4 Identifying Historic Properties

As Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, I concur with your finding that there are no historic properties affected within the project's area of potential effects for the Early Site Permit (ESP) Application for the above referenced undertaking.

The HPO looks forward to continued consultation during the future Combined Construction and Operating License (COL) Application to evaluate direct and indirect project effects on historic properties pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

Additional Comments

Thank you again for providing the opportunity to review and comment on the potential for the project to effect historic properties. The HPO looks forward to continued consultation and evaluating any direct effects on archaeological sites 28-Sa-179, 28-Sa-180, 28-Sa-182, and 28-Sa-186 along Money Island Road, assessing visual effects, and assessment of effects of any new project elements on historic properties pursuant to Section 106. Please reference the HPO

project number 09-0740 in any future calls, emails, submissions or written correspondence to help expedite your review and response. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Vincent Maresca of my staff at (609) 633-2395 with questions regarding archaeology or Caroline Scott (609-633-2396) with questions regarding historic architecture, historic districts, or historic landscapes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "D. Saunders" followed by a vertical line and the initials "km".

Daniel D. Saunders
Deputy State Historic
Preservation Officer

- c. James Mallon, PSEG Power, LLC
- Nikki Minnichbach, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- Daniel O'Rourke, Argonne National Laboratory
- Molly McDonald, AKRF