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Mr. Mike Smith
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Project: MHPC# 1853-10 - Pisgah Mountain LLC; proposed five turbine wind farm
Town: Clifton, ME

Dear Mr. Smith:

In response to your recent request, I have reviewed the information received December 20, 2010 and January 7, 2011 to continue consultation on the above referenced project in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (NHPA) and pursuant to the requirements of the Town of Clifton.

Based on your recent December 20 and January 7 emails, you mention that this project would potentially qualify for the "US Treasury's 1603 grant program." Based on our limited research, it appears this may be the "Energy Grants in Lieu of Tax Credits" program, which may be a U.S. Department of Energy program. We recommend that you consult with the appropriate federal agency to confirm that Section 106 review applies to this federal program. As we mentioned in our previous correspondence, federal funding, licensing or permitting triggers Section 106 review with our office. Please advise which federal agency is responsible for your potential federal funding.

The project area is not considered sensitive for archaeological resources.

Based on the information provided, I have concluded that there are no National Register listed or known National Register eligible properties in the project area. However, no architectural survey of the project area has ever been conducted. We would recommend soliciting comments from local historical societies or other interested parties regarding the presence of historic structures in the project area.

If federal funding will be utilized for this project, architectural survey is required in order to identify and record information on all resources within the Area of Potential Effects (APE) that are 50 years old or older. Based on previous wind project reviews, we recommend that the APE for this project be a four mile radius from the turbine locations. The APE for architectural resources must be clearly identified and outlined on a USGS topographical map in consultation

with our office. Survey must be completed according to our "**Revised** Above Ground Cultural Resource Survey Manual Project Review Specific." All surveys must now be submitted electronically via our new on-line CARMA database. See http://www.maine.gov/mhpc/architectural_survey/survey_guidelines.html for more information. Please contact Christi Mitchell, our survey coordinator, at 287-1453 or christi.mitchell@maine.gov to schedule an appointment to review our files.

Regarding conducting architectural survey, a list of historic preservation consultants is enclosed for your information and use. Our office encourages you to utilize consultants who meet the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards (36 CFR Part 61, Appendix A), and who have a thorough understanding of the survey process and the National Register of Historic Places Criteria for eligibility. Generally these are architectural historians, but there are also professional standards for historians, architects and historic architects. While there certainly is some cross over between the categories, it is important to realize that having a broad and detailed knowledge of architectural styles, as represented in Maine, is crucial to completing a successful project efficiently. If you have questions about whether a particular firm has conducted survey for our office, please contact our survey coordinator, Ms. Mitchell.

In addition, an assessment of effects must be submitted to our office for historic properties that are identified, pursuant to the Section 106 regulations.

If Section 106 review is applicable, we look forward to continuing consultation with you on this undertaking. Please contact Robin Stancampiano of my staff if we can be of further assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,



Kirk F. Mohnney
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

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