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Timothy Zinn Michael Baker International 100 Airside Drive Moon Township PA 15108

ER 2018-1595-003-A: PennDOT Multimodal Transportation, Norfolk Southern Railway company, Pittsburgh Vertical Clearance Project, Braddock, North Braddock, and Swissvale, Allegheny County, Determination of Area of Potential Effects, and proposed levels of recordation for previously recorded and newly identified historic resources

Dear Mr. Zinn,

Thank you for submitting information concerning the above referenced project. The Pennsylvania State Historic Preservation Office (PA SHPO) 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.

## **Archaeological Resources**

There is a high probability that archaeological resources are located in this project area. In our opinion, the activity described in your proposal should have no effect on such resources. Should the scope of the project be amended to include additional ground disturbing activity this office should be contacted immediately, and a Phase I Archaeological Survey may be necessary to locate all potentially significant archaeological resources.

## **Above Ground Resources**

We concur with the Area of Potential Effect and the proposed documentation/survey as indicated in Table 1 (pages 115-121).

If you need further information regarding archaeological resources, please consult Mark Shaffer at <a href="mshaffer@pa.gov">mshaffer@pa.gov</a> or (717) 783-9900. If you need further information on above ground resources, please consult Cheryl Nagle at <a href="magle@pa.gov">chnagle@pa.gov</a> or (717) 772-4519.

Sincerely,

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Douglas C. McLearen, Chief Division of Environmental Review