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Mr. Paul Friedman Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street NE, Room 1A Washington, DC 20426

Re: Archaeological Data Recovery at Site 44FR0370 (Northern Sector) for the Mountain Valley Pipeline

Project, Franklin County, Virginia (July 11, 2019) DHR File No. 2014-1194; FERC #PF15-3-000

Dear Mr. Friedman:

The Department of Historic Resources (DHR) has received for review the report referenced above prepared by R. Christopher Goodwin & Associates, Inc. for Mountain Valley Pipeline, LLC (MVP). Our comments are provided to FERC and MVP as assistance in meeting your collective responsibility pursuant to the National Historic Preservation Act and the Programmatic Agreement executed for this project.

It is our opinion that the fieldwork and report meet applicable standards and guidelines and are consistent with the Treatment Plan (January 2018) prepared to address the adverse effect to site 44FR0370. By this letter we accept the report. Please update our office on any public outreach efforts completed pursuant to Section 5.0 of the Treatment Plan.

If you have any questions regarding these comments or our review of this project, please do not hesitate to contact me at roger.kirchen@dhr.virginia.gov.

Sincerely,

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