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

RE: Mountain Valley Pipeline Project  
FERC Docket No. CP 16-10  
Proposed Laydown Yard MVP-LY-062, Access Road MVP-WB-129.07, and  
Access Road MVP-LE-076.01  
FR: 15-67-MULTI-101

Dear Mr. Friedman:

We have reviewed the additional information that was submitted for the abovementioned undertaking. As required by Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and its implementing regulations, U.S. 36 CFR § 800: "Protection of Historic Properties," we submit our comments.

The submitted information states that Mountain Valley Pipeline (MVP) has added three new variances to the proposed pipeline project. The variances consist of Laydown Yard MVP-LY-062 in Nicholas County, Access Road MVP-WB-129.07 in Webster County, and Access Road MVP-LE-076.01 in Lewis County. The direct and indirect Areas of Potential Effect (APE) that have been defined for the variances are consistent with those associated with the previously considered project. It is our understanding that portions of the laydown yard and access road in Webster County fall outside of areas previously surveyed for archaeological resources and that portions of both access roads fall outside areas previously surveyed for indirect effects. The submitted information covers those areas that have not been previously surveyed.

Archaeological Resources:

According to the submitted materials, archaeological survey, including pedestrian reconnaissance and shovel probe excavation, was conducted within the previously un-surveyed areas proposed for the project variances. Previous disturbance or sloped terrain were observed over much of the APE. No new archaeological resources were identified. We concur that the addition of these variances to the Mountain Valley Pipeline Project will have no effect on archaeological historic properties. No further consultation is necessary.

Architectural Resources:

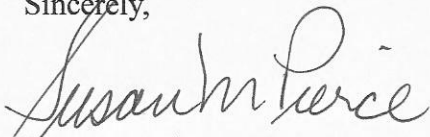
We have reviewed the submitted information and determined no further consultation is necessary regarding the aforementioned three (3) project elements. Only two (2) of the project areas will require

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tree clearance. Those two elements are visually shielded by intervening topography and vegetation. No new or additional historic architectural resources were documented within any of the project elements' direct or indirect APEs. Therefore, it is our opinion the proposed project access roads and workspaces will have *no effect* on historic architectural resources. No further consultation is necessary regarding architectural resources; however, we ask that you contact our office if the project should change.

We appreciate the opportunity to be of service. *If you have questions regarding our comments or the Section 106 process, please contact Lora A. Lamarre-DeMott, Senior Archaeologist, or Mitchell K. Schaefer, Structural Historian, at (304) 558-0240.*

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan M. Pierce". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Susan M. Pierce  
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

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CC: Ms. Evelyn Tidlow, GAI Consultants