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**NDSHPO REF. : 06-0088p PSC/ Department of State/ENSR
TransCanada Keystone Pipeline: 2007 Cultural Resource Inventory (Class
I, II, and III) Report: Addendum 3**

Dear Mr. Stine and Ms. Munson:

We have received and reviewed **06-0088p TransCanada Keystone Pipeline:** "Addendum 3 to Keystone Pipeline Project: Class I, II, and III Cultural Resource Investigations in Eastern North Dakota," by Andrea Kulevsky (Metcalf Archaeological Consultants, March 2008) and find it acceptable. We concur with the level and scope of identification efforts undertaken on Phase I investigations in the TransCanada Keystone project APE, as reported. Also, we offer no substantive comments on the report at this time.

If consulted either by a federal agency or a state agency, we would concur with the recommended "**No Historic Properties Affected**" and "**No Significant Sites Affected**" determinations for the Oakes-5 pipe yard as mapped.

Thank you and we look forward to further consultation and to further review of outstanding documents regarding the project. If you have questions please contact either Paul Picha at (701) 328-3574 or Susan Quinnell at (701) 328-3576.

Sincerely,

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and

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