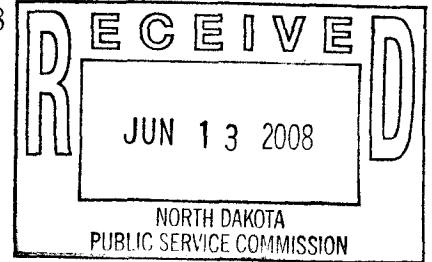




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TransCanada Keystone Pipeline: Addendum 17-Class I, II, III CRI Report  
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Dear Elizabeth:

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We have received and reviewed 06-0088pp DOS correspondence and Attachment A of June 12 for **TransCanada Keystone Pipeline: "Addendum 17 to Keystone Pipeline Project: Class I, II, and III Cultural Resource Investigations in Eastern North Dakota: 32BA148 Update,"** by Andrea Kulevsky and Ed Stine (Metcalf Archaeological Consultants, June 2008) and find it acceptable. We concur with the level and scope of identification efforts undertaken in the TransCanada Keystone project APE, as reported. We concur with **"No Historic Properties Affected"** and **"No Significant Sites Affected"** determinations provided that either alternative (Re-route or directional bore for 32BA148, Attachment A) is pursued. 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.

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enc. Attachment A as stated  
c: Susan E. Wefald, President, Commissioner, PSC (with Attachment A)

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<b>Attachment A: DOS Determinations of Eligibility &amp; Project Effect</b>					
<b>Project Item</b>	<b>Site</b>	<b>Site Type</b>	<b>NRHP Eligibility (Applicant Recommendation/DOS finding)</b>	<b>Anticipated Action by Keystone</b>	<b>Project Effect</b>
Update/evaluation of site	32BA148	Historic Railroad	Not eligible/Not eligible	TBD – Reroute or bore underneath railroad bed	No historic properties affected for either action

NRHP = National Register of Historic Places