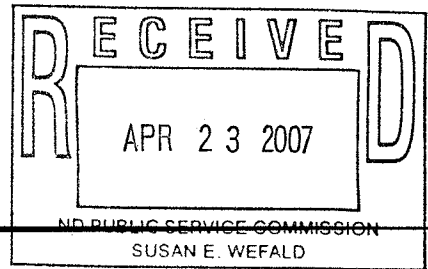




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Dear Mr. Graves:

We have received and reviewed documentation for **07-0307a RUS-BER/PSC: "Class I Literature Review: Langdon-Hensel 115 kV Transmission Line,"** by Price B. Heiner and Shay K. Heiner (Earthworks, ROI 573, April 2007) and find it acceptable. We concur with the level and scope of identification efforts proposed for cultural resources, and we look forward to reviewing the report covering the investigations.

If the project involves other federal and/or state monies or permits, we strongly encourage consultation with those federal and/or state agency(ies) at the earliest stage in the process to seek their input and recommendations regarding it.

Thank you for the opportunity to review the project and we look forward to further consultation on it. 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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