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NDSHPO REF.: 11-1677a PSC Whiting Belfield Oil Pipeline Addendum Report

We have received and reviewed correspondence and project document:

11-1677a PSC Whiting Belfield Oil Pipeline Addendum: "Addendum to the Class I and Class III Cultural Resource Inventory of the Whiting Belfield Oil Pipeline, Stark and Billings Counties, North Dakota" by Jolene Schleicher (SWCA Report Number, 11-260 Addendum, October 2011) and find it acceptable.

We concur with a "No Historic Properties Affected" and "No Significant Sites Affected" determination provided the project areas are as located and described in the report.

If you have questions please contact either Paul Picha at ppicha@nd.gov or (701) 328-3574 or Susan Quinnell at squinnell@nd.gov or (701) 328-3576.

Sincerely,

for Merlan E. Paaverud, Jr.
State Historic Preservation Officer (North Dakota)
and
Director, State Historical Society of North Dakota

✓ c: Patrick Fahn, North Dakota Public Service Commission

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**Letter concurrence no historic properties affected
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