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Re: End-of-Field Letter Review: *Phase IB Archaeological Survey, Granite Reliable Power, LLC, Proposed Wind Park, Coos County, New Hampshire.* Prepared and submitted by The Louis Berger Group, Inc.

Dear Ms. Nark:

The Division of Historical Resources (Division) is in receipt of your request for review for the end-of-field letter prepared and submitted by Dr. Luhman of The Louis Berger Group, Inc. The Division concurs with the recommendations provided and looks forward to review of the Phase IB final report. Also, the Division appreciates the cooperation of the project proponents by completing the recommended testing strategy for a region that has not previously been surveyed. These types of surveys add a tremendous amount of information to our data base, as we consider the absence of archaeological resources as valuable as the presence of archaeological resources when determining sensitivity of areas and future recommendations.

Based upon the information provided in the above cited End-of-Field Letter, it has been determined that there are no known properties of archaeological significance within the area of the undertaking's potential impact and no further identification or evaluative studies are recommended.

If any archeological resources are discovered or affected as a result of project planning or implementation, the Division is to be consulted on the need for appropriate evaluative studies, determinations of National Register eligibility, and mitigative measures (redesign, resource protection, or data recovery) as required by federal law and regulations. Also, as plans change consultation with the Division will be required.

Sincerely,

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