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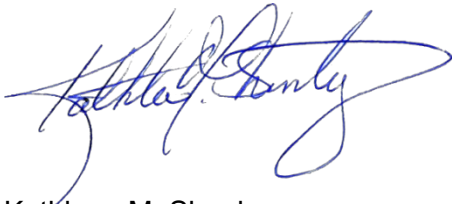
Re: Docket 1483 Petition - Middletown

Dear Ms. Bachman,

This letter provides the response to requests for information listed below.

Response to CSC-02 Interrogatories dated April 22, 2022  
CSC-010

Sincerely,



Kathleen M. Shanley  
Manager – Transmission Siting

Date Filed: April 26, 2022

**Request from: Connecticut Siting Council**

**Question10:**

Response to Interrogatory 8 did not include a copy of the State Historic Preservation Office letter. Please provide.

**Response:**

Eversource apologizes for the earlier omission and inconvenience. Please find a copy of the State Historic Preservation Office letter, attached.



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State Historic Preservation Office

March 22, 2022

Mr. David George  
Heritage Consultants, LLC  
P.O. Box 310249  
Newington, CT 06131

Subject: Phase IA Cultural Resources Review  
Eversource Lines 387/3041/1050  
Middletown, Connecticut  
ENV-22-0617

Dear Mr. George:

The State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) is in receipt of your request for our comments regarding a plan to avoid impacts to a previously identified archeological site as part of the referenced project. This site is located near the proposed replacement of Structure 19076 and Access Road AR-19076.

Background research revealed that Site 83-36 was identified by Raber Associates during a survey of the extant utility corridor. The site was described as a Late Archaic period occupation used for short-term hunting and gathering. Additional examination of the site was completed and indicated that the site retained the qualities of significance for listing on the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion D (36 CFR 60.4 [a-d]). The location and boundary of Site 83-36 were sufficiently delineated during the Phase II testing and evaluation. SHPO has reviewed avoidance measures put forth by Heritage Consultants, LLC (Heritage) to facilitate construction while protecting this important historic resource. Our office understands the landscape constraints on both construction and the site extent. SHPO concurs with the recommendation that no ground disturbing activities should take place outside of the planned access road alignment and the work pad area associated with the replacement of Structure 19076. Further, SHPO appreciates the proposed efforts to prevent inadvertent impacts to the site during construction by erecting a fence along its perimeter. This fence should be erected with the assistance of Heritage to ensure it conforms to the reported site boundaries and also does not impact the site. SHPO also requests that Site 83-36 is marked on project maps as a sensitive resource area. With these precautionary measures taken into consideration, SHPO has no objection to the proposed project and there will be no adverse effect to potentially eligible Site 83-36.

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SHPO appreciates the cooperation of all interested parties in the professional management of Connecticut's archeological resources. These comments are provided pursuant to the Connecticut Environmental Policy Act. Please contact Marena Wisniewski, Environmental Reviewer, for additional information at (860) 500-2357 or [Marena.Wisniewski@ct.gov](mailto:Marena.Wisniewski@ct.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jonathan Kinney". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Jonathan Kinney  
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

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