Appendix H –SHPO Review Letter

State Historic Preservation OfficeDepartment of Economic and Community Development



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(sent only via email to granata.nicholas@wseinc.com)

Subject: Solar PV System Project

221 Warrenville Road Mansfield, Connecticut

Dear Nick Granata,

The State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) is in receipt of a request for comments on the potential effects of the referenced project on historic properties. SHPO understands that the proposed project consists of the construction of a 2.3 MW ground-mounted solar photovoltaic (PV) facility consisting of 4,939 panels atop a capped former landfill area. The project will include installation of an equipment pad off of the capped landfill and trenched conduit alongside Bakers Road. The project will require approval from the Connecticut Siting Council. As a result, it is subject to review by this office.

There are no previously reported archaeological sites or properties on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) recorded within the Area of Potential Effects (APE) for the project. Project plans and readily available historic aerial imagery indicate that all planned activities will be confined to previously disturbed footprints. As a result, it is unlikely that significant archaeological resources will be impacted by the proposed actions. Based on the information submitted to this office, it is the opinion of SHPO that no historic properties will be affected by the proposed undertaking.

This office appreciates the opportunity to review and comment upon this project. For additional information, please contact Cory Atkinson, Staff Archaeologist and Environmental Reviewer, at (860) 500-2458 or cory.atkinson@ct.gov.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Kinney

State Historic Preservation Officer