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Shawn Krull, Chairperson Rapid City Historic Preservation Commission 300 Sixth Street Rapid City, SD 57701

Dear Mr. Krull:

This letter is in regard to the US16 highway project located in Rapid City currently identified as Project NH 0016(79)68, PCN 027C, and your letter addressed to Tom Lehmkuhl with the South Dakota Department of Transportation (SDDOT) dated December 6, 2013. Thank you for your interest in this project.

The Rapid City Historic Preservation Commission of Rapid City (HPC) was provided the opportunity to comment and participate in the Section 106 process through letters dated October 23, 2012 and August 14, 2013. The public and agencies were also provided an opportunity to comments at a public meeting held on August 16, 2012. While no comments or requests to consult or participate in the process were received from either the HPC or the public regarding historic properties, a reasonable effort was made to identify and consider project effects to historic properties in accordance with the Section 106 process.

While the Section 106 process was completed on October 7, 2013, the SDDOT, South Dakota State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), and FHWA have reviewed your comments and concluded the Section 106 process was followed and the effects to historic properties were appropriately considered.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (605)776-1012.

Sincerely

Marion Barber, PE Environmental Engineer

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