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Lee Ann Tinney Tioga County Industrial Development Agency County Office Building 56 Main Street Owego, New York 13827

Re:

CORPS, DEC Mixed Use Office Park/ Construction Phase IA (8.25 a) Town of Owego, Tioga County 05PR01120

Dear Ms. Tinney:

Thank you for requesting the comments of the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). We have reviewed the Phase IB Cultural Resources Investigation Report, prepared by Hartgen Archeological Associates and dated January 2006, in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966.

Based upon this review, it is the SHPO's opinion that Construction Phase 1A (8.25) will have No Effect upon cultural resources in or eligible for inclusion in the National Registers of Historic Places. Please note that this clearance is only for Construction Phase IA. Phase IB archaeological investigation is still necessary for the remainder of the Mixed Use Office Park project area.

The SHPO appreciates the opportunity to comment on this information. It should be noted that further consultation with the SHPO will be necessary if there are any changes to the project. Please telephone me at ext. 3280 with any questions you may have. Please also refer to the PR# above in any future correspondences for this project.

Sincerely,

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Nancy Herter Historic Preservation Program Analyst, Archaeology

cc. Bill Bouchard, Hartgen