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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas, Secretary  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First Street  
Washington, D. C. 20426

December 1, 2005

**RE:** Filing as confidential the Mystic Lake Project Cultural Resource Management Inventory and NRHP Evaluation Documentation Historic Plant Operating Facilities under the Integrated Licensing Process

Dear Secretary Salas:

Enclosed are an original and eight copies of documentation on the inventory and National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) eligibility evaluations of historic Plant Operating Facilities for the Mystic Lake Project. The report is confidential and not for public release, and we request that it be placed in the Commission's non-public files.

Under copies of this letter, we are also submitting the report to the Custer National Forest (CNF) and the Montana State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO). In this way, the Commission can work with these agencies in order to achieve consensus determinations of eligibility for the identified Historic Property. We ask that the Commission, CNF and SHPO address the consensus determinations of eligibility on or before January 4, 2006. This will allow us to proceed in a timely manner with additional steps and studies for CRM on the Project.

Any questions that may arise in the course of review of this report should be directed to me.

Sincerely,

  
Jon Jourdenmais,  
Director Hydro Licensing and Compliance

cc: Mr. Frank Winchell, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, w/enclosure  
Mr. Stan Wilmoth, Montana Interim State Historic Preservation Officer w/enclosure  
Ms. Halcyon LaPoint, Archaeologist, Custer National Forest, w/enclosure