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FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION



July 25, 2024

Ms. Debbie-Anne Reese, Acting Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commision 888 First Street N.E., Room 1A Washington, D.C. 20426

RE: <u>File #0869-24;</u> FERC Project #14890-005, Scoping Document #1 for the Proposed Pushmataha County Pumped Storage Hydroelectric Project, McCurtain and Pushmataha Counties, Oklahoma

Dear Ms. Reese:

We are in receipt of the referenced scoping document from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) for the Pushmataha County Pumped Storage Hydroelectric Project in Pushmataha and McCurtain Counties, Oklahoma, and Red River and Lamar Counties, Texas. We assume that FERC will be consulting with our office per Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) as appropriate regarding the proposed project.

Please note that our office received documentation relating to this project from Southeast Oklahoma Power Corporation (SEOPC). However, according to our records, (1) FERC has not delegated authority to initiate Section 106 consultation with our office to SEOPC, and (2) we have not received adequate maps or location information to identify the project area of potential effect for review under Section 106 of NHPA.

If you have any questions, please contact Kristina Wyckoff, Historical Archaeologist, at 405-521-6381. Please reference the above underlined file number when responding. Thank you.

Sincerely. Lynda Ozan

Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

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