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Mr. Richard J. Papaj, P.E. Local Projects Liaison New York State Department of Transportation, Region 4 1530 Jefferson Road Rochester, NY 14623

Subject:

PIN 4755.25, Midtown Redevelopment Infrastructure Improvements

City of Rochester, Monroe County -- Section 106 and NEPA Determinations

Dear Mr. Papaj:

We reviewed the Final Design Report (dated April 19, 2011) for the subject project which proposes to reestablish a street grid including elements that historically existed in the project area. In addition, we reviewed the NEPA Environmental Review Record (dated May 10, 2009) prepared for the Department of Housing and Urban Development for the City of Rochester's urban renewal project currently underway.

We considered the SHPO's opinion (letter dated April 6, 2011) and agree that this undertaking will have *No Adverse Effect* upon cultural resources in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. The requirements of 36 CFR 800 have been met; the Section 106 process is complete.

We concur that reestablishing the street grid network, and rehabilitating the underground parking and tunnels, will not induce significant environmental impacts. This project meets the conditions and criteria for a NEPA Class II, Categorical Exclusion with Documentation.

Sincerely,

Roslyn Webber Area Engineer

cc: Ruth Pierpont, NYSSHPO (08PR01197/11PR02312)

