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TO EXPEDITE REVIEW USE
BHP REFERENCE NUMBER



Re: ER 03-2667-003-B
STB Docket No. AB-842-X, Almono LP—Abandonment Exemption
Monongahela Connecting Railroad, Pittsburgh, Allegheny County

Dear Mr. Rosenberg:

The Bureau for Historic Preservation (the State Historic Preservation Office) has reviewed the above named project in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended in 1980 and 1992, and the regulations (36 CFR Part 800) of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation as revised in 1999. These requirements include consideration of the project's potential effect upon both historic and archaeological resources.

Based on the additional information concerning the intent of this action and the retention of rail, ties and related buildings and structures on the line we concur with the findings of the agency that the above listed project, a discontinuance of service, will have no adverse effect on the following National Register eligible resources. We also concur that no archaeological investigations are necessary in this project area.

Monongahela Connecting Railroad, Allegheny County

If you need further information in this matter please consult Susan Zacher at (717) 783-9920.

Sincerely,

Kurt W. Carr, Chief
Division of Archaeology &
Protection

cc: Surface Transportation Board
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