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October 5, 1978

Mr, Michael Kaltman
Regional Impact Analysis Section
Div. of Site Safety and
Environmental Analysis
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Subject: Request for information on archaeological
resources

Dear Mr. Kaltman:

With respect to your request for information concerning the
identification of archaeological resources in the Millstone
Point area, the following information is provided.

In general, the Niantic River - Niantic Bay area is regarded
as a highly sensitive archaeological area with six known pre-
historic archaeological sites existing within one mile north of
"The Bar" on both banks of the Niantic River. In that four of
these sites have been identified as having contained burials,
this area should be regarded as possessing a high potential of
yielding significant archaeological information on Connect-
icut's prehistoric populations. A survey undertaken by a
Northeast Railroad Corridor archaeological consultant has iden-
tified a prehistoric archaeological site at Bay Point. The
Historical Commission has preliminary site information concerning
the potential existence of two prehistoric archaeological sites
(site #6037 and #6081) which may be located in the immediate
Millstone Point area; the archaeological survey inventory sheets
for these two sites have been included for your information.
In addition, the Niantic River Railroad Bridge has been determined
to be eligible for the National Register of Historic Places by
the Secretary of the Interior.

As no systematic survey of Connecticut's archaeological resources
has been undertaken to date, little information exists as to the
distribution and density of Connecticut's prehistoric archae-
ological resources. However, the current state of the art, based

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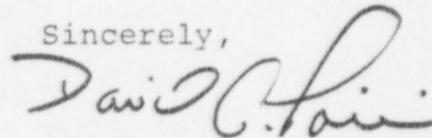
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on available archaeological data, permits the following general statement. The areas of high probability for the existence of archaeological sites within Connecticut are: 1, the flood plain and terraces of the major river drainage systems, and 2) Connecticut's coastal zone.

If further information is desired, please advise.

Sincerely,



David A. Poirier
Archaeologist

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Enclosures



CONNECTICUT ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY

State Site No. _____ CAS NO. 6037

Site Survey Record

Site Name McKenzie FarmTown Waterford Quadr. Niantic 9B9-10Location East Hills of Niantic Bay - South of Shore Rd. on Durfy HillCoordinates N 11° 18' 15" - 19° 30" W 72° 2' 30" - 10° 30" Contour level 50-80'Owner (O) and Tenant (T) North Eastern Utilities Co.Address Main Office in Burlington, branch officeAttitude toward excavation questionableType of Site habitation

Present and Past

Vegetation plowed to 1-1/2'

Approx. Size

of Site 10 plus acresNearest Water Niantic RiverSoil Type sandy soilDescription: open field parts of which were destroyed by a quarry to the SEPrevious Excavations: Dates noneExcavator(s) noneEvaluation: n/a

Source of artifacts:

(surface collection, dug, controlled excavation) surface

Potential for

Poor

Evaluation of excavation n/a

further excavation

Published References none

Present location of collections

Bull Collection

Present condition of site and

Probability of Destruction parts of site already destroyed by construction of the
of the atomic power plant.Features noneBurials noneArtifacts recovered flakes, broken scraper (quartz)Remarks This particular area does not seem to have a high concentration. However the
surrounding areas have yielded much more (most of these areas are now destroyed).

CAS Accession Nos. _____

Surveyed by CCSDate 1/75Recorded by J. Pfeiffer

Date _____

CONNECTICUT ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY

State Site No. _____ CAS No. 6031

Site Survey Record

Site Name Mill Stone PointUTM Coordinates 3730 7051Town Waterford Quadrangle NianticLocation Mill Stone Point on the Wild Life Preserve (Site now extends from the Preserve around the Point where the No. 1 complex and parking lot are located)Owner (O) and Tenant (T) North East Utilities CompanyAddress Waterford, Connecticut Attitude Toward good
ExcavationSite Type: Stray find Quarry Camp Commercial House Rockshelter
Shell midden Cemetery Village Other HabitationPeriod: Prehistoric Paleo Archaic E Archaic M Archaic L Archaic
Woodland E Wood M Wood L Wood Historic 13 Cen 19 Cen 20 CenUSDA Soil series _____ Soil phase _____ Isotherm 51Slope %: 0-3 _____ 3-8 _____ 8-15 _____ 15-35 _____ Contour Elevation 30 - 40'Soil Drainage: Excessive _____ Well _____ Poor _____ Very Poor _____ Site Size can distinguish
discernSoil Texture: Sand _____ Loamy Sand _____ Sandy Loam _____ Sandy Clay Loam _____
Sandy Clay _____ Clay _____ Clay Loam _____ Silty Clay _____ Silty Clay Loam _____
Silt Loam _____ Silt _____ Muck _____ Gravelly _____ Stony _____ Other fillAcidity 4.5 4.5 - 5.5 5.6 - 6.5 6.6 - 7.3 7.4 - 8.4

Surface Features _____ Depth of Surface Layer (O.A.B) _____

Present Vegetation _____ Past Vegetation _____

Name & distance of water Niantic Bay Size & speed of water _____Present condition of site and probability of destruction: What is not destroyed will not be
(Date) _____ Watch

Recommendations _____ Test _____ Excavate _____ Strip _____ Inaccessible _____ Destroyed _____

Types of Material recovered, (incl. special features, burials): _____

quartz chips, scraper, other lithic tools. No areas of high concentration were found,
however a controlled survey may reveal these.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION USE BACK OF FORM.

CAS Accession Nos. _____ Photographs: Yes _____ No _____ In File _____

Previous Excavations: Excavator _____ Date _____

Surface collection X Uncontrolled excavation _____ Controlled excavation _____Evaluation of excavation n/a Present location of collection North Eastern Millit

Published References _____

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