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Notice of Intent to of Mineral Exploration

Project: Powertech (USA), Inc.

Location: Dewey/Burdock Area

County: SW $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 29; SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 30; NW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 32/T6S/R1E
Custer County &
SW $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 2; NE $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 10; NW $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec.
11/T7S/R1E, Fall River County

Dear Eric:

We have completed a review of Powertech (USA), Inc. submission to explore for uranium in the above mentioned locations. The Archaeological Research Center makes the following determination:

From a cultural resource management perspective, there are several sites identified on the South Dakota Site Database which may be affected by the proposed mineral exploration. Before any recommendation on these sites can be made a report outlining their avoidance or their archaeological potential from a cultural resources perspective must be reviewed by this office.

The proposed project area has been surveyed for cultural resources. Twelve sites are located within the proposed exploration areas supplied by Powertech USA, Inc. A table has been included with this letter (see attachment, Table 1). Of the twelve sites identified, seven are considered as not eligible for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) and no further work is recommended. Five sites have not been evaluated and require additional archaeological investigation before any recommendation can be made concerning their eligibility for nomination to the NRHP. These include: 39CU557, 39CU558, 38CU560, 39CU3598, 39FA1885, 39FA1892.



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If during the course of operating, if any bones, artifacts, foundation remains, or other evidence of previously unrecorded past human use of the project area is discovered during the course of mining operation, activity should be temporarily halted in the vicinity, and the State Archaeologist's office be notified at once.

If you have any questions or require further information, please let me know. Thank you for your concern in preserving South Dakota's cultural heritage.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Fosha
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Site No.	Site Type	Evaluated (Y/N)	Comments/Recommendations
39CU557	Artifact Scatter	N	TVA Survey, recommended avoidance
39CU558	Artifact Scatter	N	Late Archaic, TVA recommended avoidance
38CU560	Foundation	N	
39CU3570	Artifact Scatter	N	Not Eligible
39CU3572	Artifact Scatter	Y	Not Eligible
39CU3583	Artifact Scatter	Y	Not Eligible Historic & Prehistoric Artifacts
39CU3598	Artifact Scatter	N	Late Archaic, Avoidance or Evaluation
39FA778	Farmstead	N	Not Eligible
39FA1885	Artifact Scatter	N	Avoidance or Evaluation (on edge of proposed APE)
39FA1886	Artifact Scatter	N	Not Eligible
39FA1892	Artifact Scatter	N	Avoidance or Evaluation (on edge of proposed APE)
39FA1913	Artifact Scatter	N	Not Eligible



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