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In Reply Refer to:

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RE: Your Letter and Attachment of June 18, 1984
Cultural Resource Assessment Review Request
"Mitigative Excavations at 8Sm23: A Prehistoric Site
Located Within the Central Florida - Kathleen 500kV
Transmission Line Right-of-Way, Sumter County, Florida"
by Kenneth W. Hardin and Mark J. Brooks

Dear Dr. Voigts:

As per the provisions of Chapter 17-17, Part II, Florida Administrative Code ("Rules of State of Florida, Department of Environmental Regulation, Transmission Line Siting Act"), we have reviewed the above cited report with regard to project impact on archaeological site 8Sm23. In our letter of February 6, 1984, we reviewed the preliminary results of archaeological salvage excavations conducted by Piper Archaeological Research, Inc. at site 8Sm23. In this letter, we noted that a final report would be forthcoming and that we looked forward to receiving it for review and inclusion in our files.

We have received and reviewed the above cited final report on the mitigative excavations conducted at site 8Sm23. As previously stated in our earlier letter, it is the determination of this office that the mitigative action conducted in the portion of the site scheduled to be disturbed by project activities satisfactorily mitigate project impacts to the affected portion of site 8Sm23.

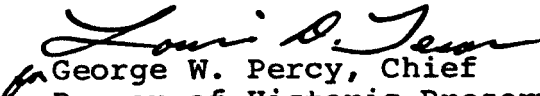
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Additionally, in your letter, it is stated that "Florida Power Corporation has completed the construction of a protective fence around" the remainder of site 8Sm23 in order to "protect it from future disturbance". Therefore, it is the opinion of this office that the proposed project will have no effect on significant archaeological and historic sites.

If you have any questions concerning our comments, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Your interest and cooperation in helping to protect Florida's archaeological and historic resources are appreciated.

Sincerely,


George W. Percy, Chief
Bureau of Historic Preservation

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cc: Karen Anthony
Piper Archaeological Research, Inc.