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October 27, 2014

Brooke Brilliant
Archaeological Consultants of the Carolinas, Inc.
121 East First Street
Clayton, NC 27520

Re: Archaeological Report: *Archaeological Evaluation of the Reserve on Island Creek Development Tract*,
Pender County, ER 14-2275

We have reviewed the archaeological report prepared for Parker and Associates to document the remains of a Civil War earthworks (31PD337**) and previously unknown archaeological features at the proposed Reserve on Island Creek Development.

During the course of the work historical and archaeological investigations were conducted to determine the historical context of the fortification and to document the physical features of the remaining structure. During the course of the archaeological survey an unassociated late eighteenth century habitation site component was discovered. Unfortunately both the Civil War earthworks and the eighteenth century habitation site have been subjected to severe disturbance through logging, road construction, and unauthorized artifact collection. As a result, Archeological Consultants of the Carolinas, Inc. has recommend this site as ineligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places and determined that the site is unlikely to provide significant research potential beyond what has already been produced. We concur with this recommendation and recommend that no further archaeological work be required in conjunction with this development project.

These comments do not address any historic structures. Information regarding buildings on or adjacent to the project site should be provided to us as soon as possible.

The above comments are made pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's Regulations for Compliance with Section 106 codified at 36 CFR Part 800.

Thank you for your cooperation and consideration. If you have questions concerning the above comment, contact Renee Gledhill-Earley, environmental review coordinator, at 919-807-6579 or environmental.review@ncdcr.gov. In all future communication concerning this project, please cite the above referenced tracking number.

Sincerely,

Renee Gledhill-Earley

for Ramona M. Bartos

cc: John Parker, Parker and Associates, Inc.
Pender County Planning and Community Development