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HAND DELIVERY

Chad Sidler
Environmental Review
Indiana Department of Natural Resource
Historic Preservation and Archaeology
402 W. Washington Street, W-274
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Re: City of Butler, DeKalb County
The Former Butler Company
325 South Broadway Street, Butler IN
Indiana Brownfields Program Request

Dear Mr. Sidler:

This letter is to serve as the Indiana Brownfields Program's ("Program") formal request for a Section 106 National Historic Preservation Act review by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources' Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology for the property located at 325 South Broadway Street, Butler, DeKalb County ("Site"). The Program is the recipient of a federal Multi-purpose grant ("MPG") for environmental remediation awarded by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. As a condition of use of the federal funds, the Program must ensure a review is conducted to determine the potential applicability of the National Historic Preservation Act to the Site. The Program has selected the Site to receive MPG funds to address various environmental impacts at the Site, including removing lead and arsenic contaminated surface soil, contaminated debris from a fire, demolishing materials, and the removal and proper disposal of containers of hazardous waste substances. This letter's purpose is to initiate the Section 106 review process.

Federal Funding Source: The Program will allocate the full amount of the MPG funds to address the Site's environmental issues and remediate environmental impacts identified on the Site. For your reference, a Site map and Site photos are included with this letter as Exhibit A. (The Remediation Work Plan will be forwarded as soon as it is received and approved by the Program, if needed.)



Site Background: The Site is located at 325 South Broadway Street, north of East Willow Street, in Butler. It consists of approximately 3.55 acres. From 1887 to 1997, the Site operated as a machine shop, painting and varnishing shops, plating operations, a foundry, and a chemical company. There are large debris piles and various other types of building debris from demolished buildings formerly located on the property. Environmental studies of the Site include a November 10, 2017 Phase I, a June 13, 2018 Phase II, and a July 31, 2019 Phase II. Although a Remediation/Removal Work Plan has not yet been prepared, the July 31, 2019 Phase II ESA prepared by IWM Consulting Group is attached as Exhibit B. The environmental remediation likely to occur will include hot spot removal of lead and arsenic in the surface soil as well as removal of the debris piles. Additionally, containers of hazardous waste will be removed and appropriately disposed of.

Historical Status of Site: Survey Number 033-085-32050 lists the Butler Company building as a Notable Structure. However, this building was destroyed in a 2015 fire. (Please refer to site photographs for current site conditions.) The SHAARED County Survey page is included in Exhibit A.

Sources of Historical Information: Indiana DNR SHAARED Database/Indiana Buildings, Bridges, and Cemeteries Map.

Thank you for your assistance with the Section 106 review process. **In order to facilitate the appropriate review by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Program requests that all correspondence from your office to the Program be copied to Patricia Polson, Project Manager, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, 77 W. Jackson Blvd., BB-7J, Chicago, IL 60604.** Please feel free to contact me at (317) 234-6018 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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