

WEST VIRGINIA DIVISION OF CULTURE & HISTORY

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Mr. Rob Coit DEP 105 S. Railroad Street Philippi, WV 26416

RE: The Captain David Pugh House

FR#: 05-1265-HM

Dear Mr. Coit:

The West Virginia State Historic Preservation Office has been contacted by Ms. Kirsten Weiblen outlining her concerns regarding a shale mining operation adjacent to her historic property. Ms. Weiblen owns and resides in the Captain David Pugh House in Hampshire County, listed in the National Register of Historic Places on August 23, 2004. She has concerns regarding the viewshed from the Pugh House being diminished as a result of a boundary increase by the mining operation. We have enclosed a copy of her letter to our office. We ask that you please contact Ms. Weiblen, in writing, regarding her concerns. Please copy our office on your response for our records. We appreciate your time in this matter.

We appreciate the opportunity to be of service. If you have any questions regarding our comments please call Ryan Burns, Historian, at (304) 558-0240.

Susan M. Pierce

Deputy Historic Preservation Officer

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Enclosure

CC: Kirsten Weiblen

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