



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 6
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SEP 12 2016

Honorable Russell Begaye
Navajo Nation
P.O.Box 7440
Window Rock, AZ 86515

RE: National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 Consultation Opportunity; New Mexico Gas Company at Pueblo of Laguna; EPA Permit Number: R6NSR-NM-003

Dear President Begaye:

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Sincerely,



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Honorable Herman G. Honanie
The Hopi Tribe
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RE: National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 Consultation Opportunity; New Mexico Gas Company at Pueblo of Laguna; EPA Permit Number: R6NSR-NM-003

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Honorable Virgil A. Siow
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Laguna Pueblo, NM 87026

RE: National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 Consultation Opportunity; New Mexico Gas Company at Pueblo of Laguna; EPA Permit Number: R6NSR-NM-003

Dear Governor Siow:

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Honorable Ronnie Lupe
White Mountain Apache Tribe
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Whiteriver, AZ 85941

RE: National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 Consultation Opportunity; New Mexico Gas Company at Pueblo of Laguna; EPA Permit Number: R6NSR-NM-003

Dear Chairman Lupe:

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Honorable Kurt Riley
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Acoma, NM 87034

RE: National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 Consultation Opportunity; New Mexico Gas Company at Pueblo of Laguna; EPA Permit Number: R6NSR-NM-003

Dear Governor Riley:

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Honorable E. Paul Torres
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RE: National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 Consultation Opportunity; New Mexico Gas Company at Pueblo of Laguna; EPA Permit Number: R6NSR-NM-003

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Chairman Wallace Coffey
Comanche Nation of Oklahoma
P.O.Box 908
Lawton, OK 73502

RE: National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 Consultation Opportunity; New Mexico Gas Company at Pueblo of Laguna; EPA Permit Number: R6NSR-NM-003

Dear Chairman Coffey:

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