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Mr. Vernal L. Yadon, Director Museum of Natural History 165 Forest Avenue Pacific Grove, California 93950

Dear Mr. Yadon:

The Coast Guard is proposing to lay a buried powerline from the PG&E power poles just east of the sewage treatment plant westward to the fog signal area. The proposed route is shown in red on the enclosed topography map. The work entails the excavation of a 3 foot wide trench to a depth of 52 inches (4.3 feet), and backfilling once the powerline is installed.

From a previous conversation with you, I understand there are two rare plant species, Erysimum menziesii, and Lupinus tidestromii located in that general vicinity. Does the proposed excavation affect these species? If so, perhaps you could suggest a reasonable alternate routing of the trench that would eliminate any adverse effects. The project will also require coordination with Rob Edwards and the State Historic Preservation Officer due to the archaeology at the site. Because I expect that full coordination could take some time, a prompt reply to this inquiry would be appreciated.

Thank you for your interest and assistance in nominating the Point Pinos property to the National Register. If you and Mr. Edwards are working together on that project, perhaps you should discuss our latest proposal with him since any alternate route will have to satisfy the requirements for archaeological preservation as well. Please call Dr. Nancie Bell of this office at (415) 556-1380 if you need any further assistance.

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Lieutenant Commander, U. S. Coast Guard Chief, Marine Safety Division, Acting By direction of the District Commander

Encl: (1) Topographic map - Point Pinos

Copy to: Mr. Rob Edwards

State Historic Preservation Officer