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IN REPLY REFER TO:

December 30, 2009

Kay H. Brewer and James D. Hudson, Jr.  
631 Clifton Road, NE  
Atlanta, GA 30307

PROPERTY: Stow-McDade-Hudson House, 203 N. Washington Ave., Eatonton, GA  
PROJECT NUMBER: 24278

Dear Ms. Brewer and Mr. Hudson:

The National Park Service (NPS) has reviewed the Historic Preservation Certification Application -- Part 1 for the property cited above and has determined that the property as a whole contributes to the significance of the Eatonton Historic District. Because the property contains more than one building and those buildings were functionally related historically to serve an overall purpose, program regulations require the NPS to determine which of the buildings contribute to the significance of the historic property, and are therefore considered to be "certified historic structures."

Based on the documentation presented, the following building appears to contribute to the significance of the property:

- House, built c. 1817 with additions dating from the district's period of significance, featuring beaded weatherboard, window trim, raking cornices with returns, and entrance with paneled glazed door, sidelights and transoms, as well as interior components (plan and finishes) worth preserving.

This building is a "certified historic structures" for purposes of rehabilitation.

The documentation also indicates that the following building does not contribute to the significance of the property and the Eatonton historic district:

- Garage, built 1946.

This building is not a "certified historic structure" for purposes of rehabilitation.

This decision differs from your request with respect to the garage, which was built outside the 50 year cut-off of the period of significance (1809-1925) of the historic district that was listed in 1975. Department of the Interior regulations regarding buildings within historic districts include the following: "If a certification request is received for a property . . . which is outside a district's established period or area of significance, a preliminary determination of significance will be issued only if the request includes adequate documentation and if there is written assurance from the SHPO that the . . . district nomination in question is being revised to expand its significance . . ." (36 CFR 67.6. (3)(c).

As you plan your rehabilitation, we strongly recommend that you review the Preservation Briefs and other preservation-related information provided online by the NPS at <http://www.nps.gov/history/hps/tps/tax/index.htm> to help you plan a successful rehabilitation that will preserve the historic character of this building/site/complex and will meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. The National Park Service also strongly encourages applicants to submit the Part 2 - Description of Rehabilitation - prior to beginning work, in order to ensure conformance with the Standards.

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Federal regulations also require NPS to review the rehabilitation work as a single overall project, and to issue rehabilitation certification on the merits of the overall project rather than for each structure. Consequently, your Part 2 of the application, the Description of Rehabilitation, must describe all proposed work on the property, although the 20% investment tax credit is based only on costs for the rehabilitation of "certified historic structures"

If you have any questions about the review of your Part I application, please contact the State Historic Preservation Office or me at 202-354-2278.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'RR', is written over the typed name.

Roger Reed, Historian  
National Register of Historic Places

Enclosure

cc: IRS  
GA SHPO  
William Brewer