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Delaware City Historic Preservation Commission

May 9, 2012

Mr. Phillip Chao & Timothy Linwood
31286 Pond View Drive
Lewes, DE 19958

**Re: Letter of Appropriateness
214 Washington Street – Substantial Renovation
Tax Parcel No. 22-007.00-188
DCHD Property Inventory No. – N-6333.090**

Dear Mr. Chao & Mr. Linwood:

The Delaware City Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) met in a publicly noticed meeting on May 1, 2012 to consider your application to: demolish rear shed additions and reconstruct in a new two-story, gabled design; replace existing roofing with 50-year architectural shingles; replace deteriorated cedar siding and trim with matching new cedar siding and pine trim; replace current windows of three different designs with new Pella wooden windows in a two-over-two light pattern; replace a side door with a window, for a total of four full-sized and one awning window in the Henry street elevation, and two awning windows in the rear elevation; and replace the non-historic, steel front door with a new, paneled fiberglass door.

Your property is a ca. 1860 frame, double house in a modified saltbox design. It is considered a contributing element of the Delaware City Historic District. It is also a corner property.

The HPC discussed with you concerns about the change in roofline and for the integration of the proposed new roofline with the neighboring attached property. You agreed to amend the proposed new roof elevation to include a projecting rake board indicating the shape of the original roofline of the main section. The HPC also recommended that you discuss the roof

work with the adjacent property owner. You have indicated that the new intersections will be sound and that you intend to offer to replace the entire roof as part of your project. The HPC also voiced concerns about the blankness of the side elevation. You have indicated that the effect will be mitigated with plantings.

The HPC reviewed the proposal with consideration of the factors required under Section 49-6a., *Alterations*, Section 49-6b., *Construction* and Section 49-6c., *Demolition*, the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation, and the intent of the review process under Section 49-1, and found the project to be mostly consistent with them. The project was approved as amended and noted in this letter.

Because this property is within the historic district and requires a county construction permit, compliance with the decision of the HPC is mandatory.

Thank you for your cooperation with the HPC.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debra Campagnari Martin". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Debra Campagnari Martin, Chair
Delaware City Historic Preservation Commission

cc: Parcel File