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Reading, Pennsylvania 19606

IN REPLY REFER TO:
Case No.: 98-03-976A
Community: Township of Lower Alsace, Berks County, Pennsylvania
Community No.: 420140
Map Panel Affected: Berks County, Pennsylvania (All Jurisdictions)
Number: 42011C0509 E
Map Effective Date: December 5, 1997

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We reviewed a request submitted on your behalf by The Honorable Tim Holden, U.S. House of Representatives, dated April 8, 1998, for a Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA). A field inspection was conducted for your property on June 10, 1998. Using the information submitted, field survey data, and the effective National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) map, we determined that the structure on the property described below would be inundated by the flood having a 1-percent chance of being equaled or exceeded in any given year (base flood) and is correctly shown on the current NFIP map as being located in a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA), designated Zone A.

Property Description:	Lot 68, Plan of "Lots laid out by David Seiz" as platted and recorded in Plat No. 17, filed on February 17, 1913, in the Berks County Recorder of Deeds' Office
Street Address:	17 Park Lane
Flooding Source:	Tributary A to Antietam Creek

The elevation of the lowest adjacent grade to a structure (the lowest ground touching the structure) must be at or above the base flood elevation for the structure to be outside the SFHA. Based on our field survey and analysis, we have determined that the elevation of the lowest adjacent grade to the structure is lower than the base flood elevation. Therefore, the structure is within the SFHA, and flood insurance is required.

This determination is based on the flood data presently available. The enclosed document provides additional information about your options for obtaining a LOMA. If you have any questions about this letter, please contact Mr. Martin Frengs, P.E., of our staff in Philadelphia, PA by telephone at (215) 631-5532.

Sincerely,

Matthew B. Miller

Matthew B. Miller, P.E., Chief
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Mitigation Directorate

Enclosures

cc: The Honorable Tim Holden, U.S. House of Representatives