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Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Theodore Jellison House is a granite structure situated on the banks of the St. Croix River. The principal (south) facade is one-and-one-half stories high and three bays wide. With an entrance in the gable end, the building has Greek Revival style cornice returns and windows with six-over-six double-hung sash. Attached to the east facade is a raised wood veranda constructed in 1925. The twin dormers on the east slope of the roof date from the same period.

With its north facade constructed into the side of the bank along the river, the house has an additional basement story exposed above ground. The entrance faces a stone wharf used for loading and unloading goods. On the west side of the house is a one story wood frame ell with shingle siding. This 1968 addition replaced an earlier wing of the same dimensions and materials that was itself added in the midnineteenth century.

The interior of the house remains little altered. With walls 26 inches thick, the windows and doors are deeply recessed from the inside. The architrave moldings are original and have very simple profiles. Most of thefirst floor walls and ceilings have original hair plaster and in the main hall is a reproduction of the original 1862 wallpaper. In the basement is a granite fireplace and on the first floor is a Dutch oven.

8. Significance

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Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

This large and rare stone house built into the side of the bank of the St. Croix River is important not only because of the excellence of its design and construction but also because of its interesting early history.

Built by Theodore Jellison, it is the second oldest house in Calais and the earliest still used as a residence.

Jellison owned granite quarries on his properties and in the vicinity and, while wood construction for his home would have been easier and cheaper, he chose a masonry building as a demonstration of the type of construction that could be achieved with granite. He also built a granite wharf so that ships could ground out at low tide on the flat muddy bottom, be loaded with granite and refloated on the 24 to 28 foot tides. It was always his vision that this area would become the center of Calais. Events proved otherwise and the town commercial center grew up two miles further up stream.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Livingstone, A., <u>Early History of the Stone House Property</u>. Ms. in possession of owner.

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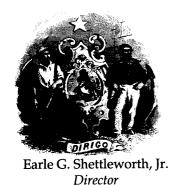
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INTERAGENCY RESOURCES DIVISIONAL PARK SERVI.

Dear Beth:

It has come to our attention that the location of the Theodore Jellison House, Calais vicinity, Washington County, Maine, was incorrectly mapped in the original nomination. Thus, I am providing you with a new topographic map and a UTM coordinate position for your file. The new coordinate is: Zone 19, Easting 641410, Northing 5002620.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Kirk F. Mohney,

Architectural Historian

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