

Historic Property Acme Fuel Office
Inventory Report for 416 Northeast State Olympia, Thurston, 98501

LOCATION SECTION

Historic Name: Acme Fuel Office **Field Site No.:** 784
Common Name: (#34-804) **OAHP No.:**
Property Address: 416 Northeast State Olympia, Thurston, 98501
Comments: OLYMPIA

County **Township/Range/EW** **Section** **1/4 Sec** **1/4 1/4 Sec** **Quadrangle**
 T18R02W 14 SW TUMWATER

UTM Reference
Zone: 10 **Spatial Type:** Point **Acquisition Code:** TopoZone.com
Sequence: 0 **Easting:** 507840 **Northing:** 5210140

Tax No./Parcel No. **Plat/Block/Lot**
78504200500 Sylvester/Block 42/Lot 5 & 6

Supplemental Map(s) **Acreage**
City of Olympia Planning Department .26

IDENTIFICATION SECTION

Field Recorder: Shanna Stevenson **Date Recorded:** 3/21/1990 **Survey Name:** OLYMPIA

Owner's Name: Acme Fuel Co. **Owner Address:** PO Box 7009 **City/State/Zip:** Olympia, WA 98507

Classification: Building **Resource Status** **Comments**

Within a District? No **Survey/Inventory**

Contributing?

National Register Nomination: 0

Local District:

National Register District/Thematic Nomination Name:

DESCRIPTION SECTION

Historic Use: Commerce/Trade - Business

Current Use: Commerce/Trade - Business

Plan: Irregular **No. of Stories:** One

Structural System: Balloon Frame

Changes to plan: Intact

Changes to interior: Unknown

Changes to original cladding: Intact

Changes to other:

Changes to windows: Slight

Other (specify):

Cladding Wood

Foundation Concrete - Poured

Style Art Deco - Streamlined Moderne

Form/Type

Roof Material Asphalt / Composition - Rolled

Roof Type Unknown

NARRATIVE SECTION

Study Unit	Other	Date Of Construction: <u>1940</u>
<u>Commerce</u>		Architect:
		Builder:
		Engineer:

Property appears to meet criteria for the National Register of Historic Places: No
Property is located in a historic district (National and/or local): No
Property potentially contributes to a historic district (National and/or local):

Statement of Significance Built in 1940, the building is the office for Acme Fuel. Acme Fuel is a long time business in Olympia and this is building is a distinctive example of the Art Moderne style. The sheltered area to the east of the main building was a scales and the easternmost building was used for an automated coal distribution facility. Acme Fuel began in 1925 by Springer Mills in conjunction with the local wood processing industry. Springer Mills was located on the Carlyon Fill. They sold slabwood left over from milling, veneer cores, and "lily pads" which were the water logged ends of logs. The firm was later purchased by Tom Allen Sr. and continues to be owned by his son, Tom Allen. The firm later began handling oil and gas as fuels changed.

Description of Physical Appearance Squat one story, woodframe building with an adjacent canopy attaching it to an adjacent smaller eastside structure. Plank siding with newer three-sectioned plate glass windows flanking the entry of the main building. Entry has rounded metal-faced canopy. Wood-frame door has sidelights and a distinctive art moderne slated pulls. A rounded metal canopy is also on the addition. Center brick chimney and various shaped windows. Distinctive deco lettering on the front of the building reading "ACME FUEL CO. "

Major Bibliographic References Thurston County Assessor's Records.
Information from Tom Allen.

PHOTOS



View of Southeast corner
taken 3/21/1990
Photography Neg. No. (Roll No./Frame No.):
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Comments: