

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: One story on the north, two stories on the south half of the building. Flat roof. Concrete foundation. Eight entrances on the east elevation. Two doors are flush, four have full lights and two are paneled and have a light. Windows are ribbons of single light steel casements with transoms and rowlock brick sills. Concrete block walls are painted buff. The rowlock sills, doors, window frames and fascias are brown. The flat roof has a three foot overhang on the east elevation with a foot wide metal fascia. Other elevations have a low, even parapet.
The facade faces asphalt paved automobile parking.

PHOTOGRAPHS (include photographs showing each side of building and any associated buildings)

Film roll no.: 43
Negative no.: 20

Photographer: Carolyn Howard
Location of negatives: City Of Grand Junction

CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions): Additional construction or modifications not noted in Assessor's records.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (discuss important persons and events associated with this building): Beginning in 1951 as the California Company (Exploration Department-oil) this building housed Pure Oil and Capitol Life Insurance by 1955. The Griffin-Moll Agency ca. 1957-1959, the Service Agency (1959) and the Bennett Realty (1960). By 1962, it housed the Clinton Smith Insurance Agency who was still occupying the building in 1964. McCormick Enterprises and Atkinson and Cross, accountants, were also there in 1962.

INFORMATION SOURCES (be specific): Plat Map, Appraisal Card, Lot and Block Books, Grand Junction City Directories.

SIGNIFICANCE (check appropriate categories)

Architectural significance:
 represents the work of a master
 possess high artistic value
 represents a type, period, or method of construction

Historical significance:
 associated with significant person(s)
 associated with significant event
 associated with a pattern of events
 contributes to an historic district

National Register eligibility:
Individual yes no
Criteria: A B C D
Area(s) of significance: Architecture

Contributes to a potential district:
yes no
District name:

Period of significance: 1949

THEME(S):

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (briefly justify the significance checked above): A utilitarian, mid-century building in original condition. Although not eligible for the National Register, this building may contribute to a local register.

INVENTORY COMPLETED BY: Museum Group Staff

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