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TITLE: Alaska Railroad Equipment Photographs

COLLECTION NUMBER: B2013.015

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Dates: 1996

Extent: 2 items

Language and Scripts: The collection is in English.

Name of creator(s): G. Arthur Cort

Administrative/Biographical History:

The EMD F7 was a 1,500 horsepower diesel-electric locomotive produced between February 1949 and December 1953 by the Electro-Motive Division of General Motors (EMD) and General Motors Diesel (GMD).¹

The steel Russell plow was probably not used extensively by the Railroad after its procurement from “postwar stocks,” and may have been mothballed at the Anchorage yard.²

G. Arthur Cort was a civil engineer who worked on construction of Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska.

Scope and Content Description:

The collection consists of two color photographs of Alaska Railroad equipment taken by G. Arthur Cort in April 1996. The first is labeled “EMD F7 Transportation Museum Wasilla, AK 4-28-96,” and shows locomotive number 1500. The second is labeled “Alaska Railroad ‘V’ snowplow Anchorage R.R. yard 4-30-96.”

¹ Wikipedia contributors. "EMD F7." Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia. Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia, 28 Feb. 2013. Web. 8 Mar. 2013.

² Combs. John. “Snowfighting on the Alaska Railroad.” John’s Alaska Railroad Web Page. Web. 8 Mar. 2013.

Arrangement: Not applicable

CONDITIONS GOVERNING ACCESS AND USE

Restrictions on Access: The collection is open for research use.

Physical Access: Original items in good condition, color slightly faded.

Technical Access: No special equipment is needed to access the materials.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Acquisition and Appraisal Information
Donated by G. Arthur Cort in May 1996.

RELATED MATERIALS

Alaska Railroad Collection, B1979.002

SUBJECTS

Alaska Railroad
Locomotives—Alaska
Railroad snowplows

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