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Collection Overview

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Descriptive Entry

This accession consists of records that document activities relating to the establishment and general operation of the Smithsonian Institution Archives' cold-storage environmental chamber at Front Royal, Virginia. The chamber, which opened in December 1994, was located in the old transmitter building at the Conservation and Research Center (CRC), National Zoological Park. It was used for the storage of microfilm, audio and videotapes, and film reels. Due to high maintenance costs and lack of adequate oversight, the Archives eventually removed its materials from the chamber and turned over all control of the facility to CRC in October 1997. Materials include memoranda pertaining to proposals and planning, environmental chamber specifications, contractual requirements, and conservation assessment information.

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

Archival materials -- Conservation and restoration
Facility management

Types of Materials:

Manuscripts

Container Listing

Box 1

Proposals and Planning, 1986-1987

Proposals and Planning, 1988-1993

Environmental Chamber: Specifications, 1989 (3 folders)

Environmental Chamber: Operation and Maintenance Manual, 1989

Memoranda: Start up Process, 1994-1995

Contracts, Proposals, and Requirements, 1994-1995

Memoranda: Conservation, Facility and Chamber Maintenance Expenses,
and the Transfer of Materials to Facility, 1995-1996

Preventive Maintenance, 1996

Conservation Assessment, 1996

Termination of Facility, 1997