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## Collection Overview

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## Administrative Information

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## Descriptive Entry

This accession consists of records created by Steven D. Lubar, Curator at the National Museum of American History (NMAH). These records primarily document the planning of the exhibit "Engines of Change: The American Industrial Revolution, 1790-1860," but include a small amount of material concerning two additional exhibitions: "The Changing American Farm, 1831-1981" and "Telltale Tools, 1750-1850 (Tools As Artifacts)." Materials include correspondence, memoranda, and notes; exhibition proposals; agreements; budget summaries; scripts; meeting agendas and minutes; loan information; photographs; floor plans and design drawings; brochures; newspaper clippings; object lists; audiotapes; color transparencies; and other related materials.

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## Names and Subject Terms

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

### Subjects:

- Museum curators
- Museum exhibits
- Science -- History
- Technology -- History

Types of Materials:

Audiotapes  
Clippings  
Color photographs  
Color transparencies  
Drawings  
Exhibition catalogs  
Floor plans  
Manuscripts

Names:

Engines of Change: The American Industrial Revolution, 1790-1860 (Exhibition) (1986: Washington, D.C.)  
Lubar, Steven D.  
Telltale Tools, 1750-1850 (Tools As Artifacts) (Exhibition) (1982: Washington, D.C.)  
The Changing American Farm, 1831-1981 (Exhibition) (1981: Washington, D.C.)

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## Container Listing

### Box 1

Box 1 of 1	Correspondence, 1983
Box 1 of 1	Correspondence, 1986-1987
Box 1 of 1	"Engines of Change," Exhibition, Post Opening Documents, 1986, 1989
Box 1 of 1	Photographic Slides, 1982
Box 1 of 1	Photographic Transparencies, undated
Box 1 of 1	"Engines of Change," Press Releases, Promotional Materials, and Exhibition Booklet, 1986
Box 1 of 1	Production Files, 1986
Box 1 of 1	Exhibit Photographs, 1986
Box 1 of 1	National Public Radio (NPR), "All Things Considered," Steven Lubar, Audiocassette, November 22, 1986
Box 1 of 1	Exhibition Reviews and Clippings, 1986-1990
Box 1 of 1	Visitor Behavior Evaluation, June 1987
Box 1 of 1	Exhibit Summaries, 1987
Box 1 of 1	Exhibit Video Correspondence and Memoranda, 1985-1987
Box 1 of 1	Exhibit Objects List, Summary, and Meeting Agendas, 1982-1983
Box 1 of 1	Exhibit Scripts, 1983-1984
Box 1 of 1	Exhibit Proposal and Notes, 1981-1983
Box 1 of 1	Exhibit Layout and Notes, 1982-1983
Box 1 of 1	Exhibit Planning Documents, 1981-1983
Box 1 of 1	Memoranda, 1980-1982
Box 1 of 1	Exhibit Evaluation Criteria, 1982-1984
Box 1 of 1	Budget, 1985-1986
Box 1 of 1	Conservation Reports, 1986
Box 1 of 1	Education, Correspondence and Meeting Minutes, 1984-1986

Box 1 of 1	Videodisc Outreach, 1984-1985
Box 1 of 1	Loan Correspondence, 1983, 1986
Box 1 of 1	Photograph List, undated
Box 1 of 1	Fundraising Documents, 1983-1984
Box 1 of 1	Object Study and List, 1983-1984
Box 1 of 1	Exhibit Schedules, 1984-1985
Box 1 of 1	"John Bull," Reinstallation, 1985
Box 1 of 1	Meeting Notes and Memoranda, 1983
Box 1 of 1	Industrial Revolution Committee Meeting Notes and Agendas, 1982-1983
Box 1 of 1	Exhibit Review, 1983
Box 1 of 1	"The Changing American Farm, 1831-1981," Exhibit Booklet, 1981
Box 1 of 1	"Telltale Tools, 1750-1850," Exhibit Script, 1981
Box 1 of 1	Correspondence, 1981-1986