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Descriptive Entry
These records include correspondence with contracted and prospective companies; Smithsonian Institution Engagement Calendar solicited bids, design concepts, production progress, and distribution arrangements; product proposals, licensing contracts, and royalty agreements with private manufacturers; minutes of meetings; information pertaining to the American Pacific Enterprises quilt controversy; product samples; budget reports; and documentation concerning OPDL business dealings with publishers.
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Names:
American Pacific Enterprises
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