

REQUEST FOR RECORDS DISPOSITION AUTHORITY (See Instructions on reverse)		LEAVE BLANK (NARA Use only)	
TO NATIONAL ARCHIVES and RECORDS ADMINISTRATION (NIR) WASHINGTON, DC 20408		JOB NUMBER NI-434-93-7	DATE RECEIVED 3-25-93
1. FROM (Agency or establishment) Office of the Federal Inspector for the Alaska Natural		NOTIFICATION TO AGENCY	
2. MAJOR SUBDIVISION Gas Transportation System		In accordance with the provisions of 44 U.S.C. 3303a the disposition request, including amendments, is approved except for items that may be marked "disposition not approved" or "withdrawn" in column 10.	
3. MINOR SUBDIVISION			
4. NAME OF PERSON WITH WHOM TO CONFER Nancy M. Ellett	5. TELEPHONE 202-586-4669	DATE 3/26/94	ARCHIVIST OF THE UNITED STATES <i>Cindy Gulamp Petric</i>
6. AGENCY CERTIFICATION I hereby certify that I am authorized to act for this agency in matters pertaining to the disposition of its records and that the records proposed for disposal on the attached <u>7</u> page(s) are not now needed for the business of this agency or will not be needed after the retention periods specified; and that written concurrence from the General Accounting Office, under the provisions of Title 8 of the GAO Manual for Guidance of Federal Agencies, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not required; <input type="checkbox"/> is attached; or <input type="checkbox"/> has been requested.			
DATE 3/19/93	SIGNATURE OF AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE <i>Nancy M. Ellett</i>	TITLE former Administrative Officer Office of the Federal Inspector, ANGTS	

7. ITEM NO.	8. DESCRIPTION OF ITEM AND PROPOSED DISPOSITION	9. GRS OR SUPERSEDED JOB CITATION	10. ACTION TAKEN (NARA USE ONLY)
	See Attached Schedule		

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OFFICE OF THE FEDERAL INSPECTOR
FOR THE ALASKA NATURAL GAS TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

3/93

The Office of the Federal Inspector for the Alaska Natural Gas Transportation System (OFI) was an independent agency established pursuant to P.L. 94-586, the Alaska Natural Gas Transportation Act of 1976, Reorganization Plan No. 1 of 1979, and Executive Order 12142. (See also OFI Regulations, 10 CFR Ch. XV, Part 1500-1535, 1-1-92 Edition). The OFI began operations July 1, 1979 and was abolished on October 24, 1992 by the Energy Policy Act of 1992, P.L. 102-486, which transferred all functions and authority vested in the Federal Inspector to the Secretary of Energy.

OFI's mission was to expedite the Federal permitting process and oversee the construction and initial operation of the U.S. portions of the Alaska Natural Gas Transportation System (ANGTS), a proposed 4,800-mile natural gas pipeline to bring gas from Prudhoe Bay on Alaska's North Slope south across western Canada to U.S. markets. Phase I, the southern portion of ANGTS, known as the prebuild, comprising 32 percent of the total System and 1,512 miles, was completed. This segment delivers Canadian gas from near Calgary, Canada, to Stanfield, Oregon in the Western Leg and to Ventura, Iowa in the Eastern Leg.

In 1982, due to energy market conditions, the Alaska and Canadian Leg sponsors suspended operations on Phase II, the northern sections of ANGTS. OFI, in response to this project hiatus, curtailed its operations, reduced its staff, closed its field offices and, in 1985, affiliated with the Department of Energy for administrative convenience and coordination purposes.

From 1985-1992, OFI continued to monitor events affecting ANGTS including the U.S. and Canadian sponsors plans to expand and extend Phase I to bring additional supplies of Canadian gas to U. S. markets; and to follow developments concerning the Trans-Alaska Gas System, a competing gas pipeline that would export North Slope natural gas to Pacific Rim countries as liquefied natural gas.

In January 1992, the Federal Inspector recommended in a report to President Bush that OFI be abolished. No funding was proposed for OFI in FY 1993 and the majority of FY 1992 funds were rescinded by P.L. 102-298, the FY 1992 Rescission Act, signed by President Bush on June 4, 1992.

OFI Headquarters was located in Washington, D.C. and its field offices were in San Francisco, CA (Western Leg-closed in 1982), Omaha, Nebraska (Eastern Leg-closed in 1983), Irvine, CA (Engineering Office-closed in 1985), Fairbanks, AK (Alaska Leg-closed in 1984) and Anchorage, AK (Alaska Leg-closed in 1986).

From 1979 to 1985, OFI maintained two separate filing systems: central (chronological) files and working (subject) files. The central files included incoming and outgoing documents, OFI correspondence and internally generated documents. Documents were assigned a document identification number and supported by an index (on microfilm). The working files were structured individually by each program/field office and arranged by subject matter. OFI microfilmed its central and working files from 1979-1985. Working (subject) files in hard copy remain for 1985-1992. The microfilm contains both an original negative and a positive copy. At the time of filming, the microfilm was not certified as to archival standards. There is some duplication of documents in the microfilm and hard copy files.

1. REPORTS TO THE PRESIDENT AND CONGRESS

a. Quarterly and semi-annual reports to Congress required by P.L. 94-586 on the status of construction of the Alaska Natural Gas Transportation System (ANGTS). 37 reports were prepared from 1979-1992. Note: This is the most valuable reference source about the project and the agency.

Volume: 2 inches.

Disposition: PERMANENT. Transfer to the National Archives on 1 January 1996. Earlier transfer authorized.

b. Freedom of Information Act reports to Congress (1979-1992).

Volume: 1 inch.

Disposition: PERMANENT. Transfer to the National Archives on 1 January 1996. Earlier transfer authorized.

2. TECHNICAL REPORTS

~~Reports prepared by the Office of the Federal Inspector following completion of Phase I of ANGTS documenting construction experience. Early 1980's.~~

~~Volume: 1 cubic foot.~~

~~Disposition: Permanent. Retire to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives 1 January 2012.~~

3. PUBLICITY MATERIALS

OFI News Releases from October 1979-August 1981; Alaska Gas Pipeline Updates from January 1980-October 1982; brochures, maps and other general project information prepared by OFI and the ANGTS project sponsors. Volume: 2 inches.

Disposition: PERMANENT. Transfer to the National Archives on 1 January 1996. Earlier transfer authorized.

4. ORGANIZATION AND BUDGET MATERIALS

Miscellaneous budget and organizational materials in chronological order to include the Federal Inspector's testimonies before Congress from 1979-1992. Note: the 11/26/83 testimony before the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee provides excellent early project background. The 1979-1985 budget files were microfilmed. From 1986-1992, the OFI budget was included as a line item in the Department of Energy's (DOE) Fossil Energy budget (see Memorandum of Understanding with DOE). Volume: 6 inches.

Disposition: PERMANENT. Transfer to the National Archives on 1 January 1996. Earlier transfer authorized.

5. LEGISLATION

ANGTS-enabling legislation to include the President's Decision and Report to Congress on ANGTS of September 1977. Volume: 2 inches.

Disposition: PERMANENT. Transfer to the National Archives on 1 January 1996. Earlier transfer authorized.

6. MEETINGS

Minutes of Executive Policy Board Meetings and other correspondence from 1978-1992 pertaining to this advisory board established by Executive Order 12142. 1978-1982 files filmed. Minutes of all meetings and 1989-1992 correspondence in hard copy. Volume: 6 inches.

Disposition: PERMANENT. Retire to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives 1 January 2012.

7. BRIEFINGS

Briefings prepared for the 1980 Presidential Transition Team, project sponsors and other Government agencies regarding construction experience and recommendations for ANGTS Phase II. Spans 1980-1983. Volume: 2 cubic feet

Disposition: PERMANENT. Retire to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives 1 January 2012.

8. ANGTS HISTORY FILES

a. ~~Microfilmed historical documents and correspondence tracing the origins of ANGTS--1970's through mid-1983. Volume: 7 rolls of Microfilm.~~

Disposition: PERMANENT. Retire to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives 1 January 2012.

b. Remobilization Encyclopedia. On Microfilm and hard copy. Recommends remobilization strategies and schedules for completion of ANGTS and contains an issue primer with descriptions of offices, programs, issues and activities related to ANGTS as well as historical documents such as the ANGTS Environmental Impact Statement. File spans from 1979-1985 with some additions made after microfilming in 1985.

Volume: 8 cubic feet and 9 rolls of microfilm.

Disposition: PERMANENT. Retire to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives 1 January 2012. (This material may be exempt from public disclosure under FOIA, 5 USC Sec. 552.)

c. Preliminary Report on the History of ANGTS and OFI--a consolidation of historical information on ANGTS and the OFI prepared by agency historian, no final report prepared. Spans 1970's-1985. Volume: 3 inches

Disposition: PERMANENT. Retire to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives 1 January 2012. (This material may be exempt from public disclosure under FOIA, 5 USC Sec. 552.)

d. Eastern Leg History. Construction history of the spreads on the Eastern Leg which extends from the Canadian border to Ventura, Iowa. Photos, environmental and technical reports included. Early 1980's.

Volume: 1 cubic foot

Disposition: PERMANENT. Transfer to the National Archives on 1 January 1996. Earlier transfer authorized. Uncaptioned photographs may be destroyed during archival processing.

e. Western Leg History. Construction history of this segment of ANGTS which extends from the Canadian border to Stanfield, Oregon, also includes Western Delivery System and San Juan System Expansion and slides. Early 1980's.

Volume: 1 cubic foot.

Disposition: PERMANENT. Transfer to the National Archives on 1 January 1996. Earlier transfer authorized. Uncaptioned photographs may be destroyed during archival processing.

f. Alaska Leg History. Slides, photos and materials pertaining to construction of ANGTS in Alaska.

Volume: 1 cubic foot.

Disposition: PERMANENT. Transfer to the National Archives on 1 January 1996. Earlier transfer authorized. Uncaptioned photographs may be destroyed during archival processing.

9. WASHINGTON, D.C. CENTRAL FILES

a. Microfilmed files from 1979-1985. Correspondence and memoranda filed chronologically by Document ID number. 1979-1983 microfilm is supported by a microfilmed index (see Finding Aids, Information Control Subsystem, item b.).

Disposition: PERMANENT. Retire to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives 1 January 2012. (This material may be exempt from public disclosure under FOIA, 5 USC Sec. 552.) Individual rolls whose contents consist entirely of transitory, duplicate and/or GRS-covered material may be destroyed during archival processing.

b. Finding Aids. Microfilmed Information Control Subsystem Master index. Four rolls of microfilm and two hard-copy guides, providing access to items 8b, 9a, 10a, 17a and b, 18a(1) and 18b-e.

Disposition: PERMANENT. Retire to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives 1 January 2012. (This material may be exempt from public disclosure under FOIA, 5 USC Sec. 552.)

10. WASHINGTON, D.C. WORKING FILES

a. Microfilmed files from 1979-1985. Correspondence and memoranda organized by program office and subject matter relating to construction of the ANGTS.

Disposition: PERMANENT. Retire to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives 1 January 2012. (This material may be exempt from public disclosure under FOIA, 5 USC Sec. 552.) Individual rolls whose contents consist entirely of transitory, duplicate and/or GRS-covered material may be destroyed during archival processing.

b. Rate Base Determinations. Background files and working papers used in developing audit determinations for the Alaskan, Eastern and Western Legs. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission issued final rate base decisions early 1980's. Volume: 2 cubic feet. Disposition: TEMPORARY. Dispose of when schedule is approved. File was microfilmed in 1985 with WDC Working Files.

11. ALASKA WORKING FILES

a. Correspondence and memoranda arranged by subject concerning the Alaskan Leg of ANGTS to include the final plan approvals for the Alaska segment of ANGTS and the Sponsors 1988 revised cost estimate. Mid 1980's-1992. Volume: 2 cubic feet. Disposition: PERMANENT. Retire to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives 1 January 2012. (This material is exempt from public disclosure under FOIA, 5 USC Sec. 552, and the Copyright Law of the United States, 17 USC Sec. 101.)

b. Drawings - Alignment Sheets (Revision 4) for the Alaska Natural Gas Transportation System submitted in 1985 to the Office of the Federal Inspector. Volume: 5 inches. Disposition: PERMANENT. Retire to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives 1 January 2012. (This material is exempt from public disclosure under FOIA, 5 USC Sec. 552, and the Copyright Law of the United States, 17 USC Sec. 101.)

12. CANADA WORKING FILES

Correspondence and memoranda primarily with the Northern Pipeline Agency (OFI's counterpart in Canada) concerning procurement activities for the expansion/extension of ANGTS in Canada. Mid 1980's-1992. Volume: 6 inches. Disposition: PERMANENT. Retire to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives 1 January 2012. (This material may be exempt from public disclosure under FOIA, 5 USC Sec. 552.) Interspersed facilitative material may be destroyed during archival processing.

13. EASTERN LEG WORKING FILES

Correspondence and memoranda primarily concerning expansion/extension plans for the Eastern Leg of ANGTS. Mid 1980's-1992. Volume: 6 inches. Disposition: PERMANENT. Retire to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives 1 January 2012. (This material may be exempt from public disclosure under FOIA, 5 USC Sec. 552.) Interspersed facilitative material may be destroyed during archival processing.

14. WESTERN LEG WORKING FILES

Correspondence and memoranda primarily concerning expansion/extension plans for the Western Leg of ANGTS. Mid 1980's-1992. Volume: 3 inches. Disposition: PERMANENT. Retire to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives 1 January 2012. (This material may be exempt from public disclosure under FOIA, 5 USC Sec. 552.) Interspersed facilitative material may be destroyed during archival processing.

15. TRANS-ALASKA GAS SYSTEM

Correspondence and memoranda relative to the TAGS project. Mid 1980's-1992. Volume: 2 cubic feet. Disposition: PERMANENT. Retire to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives 1 January 2012.

16. BACKGROUND FILES/1/92 REPORT TO PRESIDENT BUSH

a. Correspondence regarding final report recommendations to abolish the Office of the Federal Inspector (1991-1992) and routine correspondence from Congressional offices and the public. Interspersed facilitative material may be destroyed during archival processing. Volume: 6 inches.
Disposition: PERMANENT. Retire to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives 1 January 2012.

17. FIELD OFFICE CENTRAL FILES

a. Microfilmed files from 1980-1983. Correspondence and memoranda filed chronologically by Document ID Number and supported by a microfilmed index (see Finding Aids, ICS Master Index, WDC Central files (b.)) of the Omaha, NE, Anchorage, AK, Fairbanks, AK and Irvine, CA Field Offices.
Disposition: PERMANENT. Retire to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives 1 January 2012. (This material may be exempt from public disclosure under FOIA 5 USC Sec. 552.) Individual rolls whose contents consist entirely of transitory, duplicate and/or GRS-covered material may be destroyed during archival processing.

b. Microfilmed files from 1983-1985. Correspondence and memoranda filed chronologically by Document ID number, not supported by an index, of the Irvine, CA Engineering Office and the Alaska field offices.
Disposition: PERMANENT. Retire to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives 1 January 2012. (This material may be exempt from public disclosure under FOIA, 5 USC Sec. 552.) Individual rolls whose contents consist entirely of transitory, duplicate and/or GRS-covered material may be destroyed during archival processing.

18. FIELD OFFICE WORKING FILES

a. Omaha, NE.

(1) Microfilmed correspondence and memoranda relating to the design, construction and initial operation of the Eastern Leg of the ANGTS. Early 1980's.

Disposition: PERMANENT. Retire to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives 1 January 2012. (This material may be exempt from public disclosure under FOIA, 5 USC Sec. 552.) Individual rolls whose contents consist entirely of transitory, duplicate and/or GRS-covered material may be destroyed during archival processing.

(2) Field Logs. Hand written daily Field logs from Omaha, NE Field Office recording construction progress on the Eastern Leg of ANGTS. Early 1980's. Volume: 2 cubic feet.

Disposition: TEMPORARY. Dispose of ~~when schedule approved.~~ on 1 January 2013. (These logs were held in case of litigation on the Eastern Leg. 10 years have passed without any litigation on this operating pipeline.)

b. Anchorage, AK. Microfilmed correspondence and memoranda relative to the Alaska field office to include permitting and environmental work. Early 1980's. Disposition: PERMANENT. Retire to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives 1 January 2012. (This material may be exempt from public disclosure under FOIA, 5 USC Sec. 552.) Individual rolls whose contents consist entirely of transitory, duplicate and/or GRS-covered material may be destroyed during archival processing.

c. Fairbanks, AK. Microfilmed documents that supplement Anchorage office files to include construction and logistical planning for the Alaskan Leg. Early 1980's. Disposition: PERMANENT. Retire to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives 1 January 2012. (This material may be exempt from disclosure under FOIA, 5 USC Sec. 552.) Individual rolls whose contents consist entirely of transitory, duplicate and/or GRS-covered material may be destroyed during archival processing.

d. Irvine, CA (Engineering Office for OFI). Microfilmed documents that contain memos, letters and reports related to the engineering review functions of the OFI. Early 1980's. Disposition: PERMANENT. Retire to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives 1 January 2012. (This material may be exempt from disclosure under FOIA, 5 USC Sec. 552.) Individual rolls whose contents consist entirely of transitory, duplicate and/or GRS-covered material may be destroyed during archival processing.

e. San Francisco, CA Microfilmed correspondence and memoranda regarding the design, construction and initial operation of the Western Leg. Early 1980's. Disposition: PERMANENT. Retire to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives 1 January 2012. (This material may be exempt from disclosure under FOIA, 5 USC Sec. 552.) Individual rolls whose contents consist entirely of transitory, duplicate and/or GRS-covered material may be destroyed during archival processing.

Microfilm Volumes:

12 cubic feet (approximately)

796 rolls (approximately)

(778 rolls of 16 mm microfilm (original negative and positive)

18 rolls of 35mm microfilm (original negative and positive))

Hard Copy files:

22 cubic feet (approximately)