

HISTORIC PRESERVATION SURVEY

Oxford Rumford 59 Congress Street
County City/Town Street Address and Number

Name of Building/site: Rumford Falls Power Company Building
Common and/or Historic

Approximate Date: 1906 Style: Beaux Arts Classicism

Type of Structure:

Residential Commercial Industrial Other Acreage: 1/4

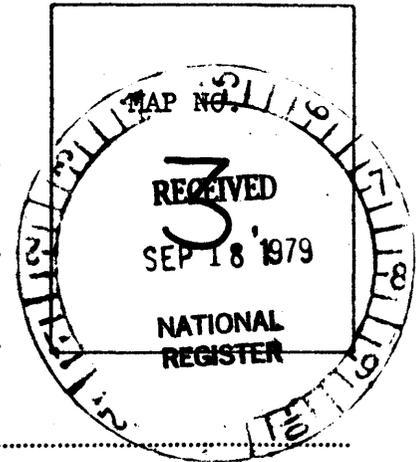
Condition: Good Fair Poor UTM Ref: 19/377160/4933320

Verbal Boundary Descrip: Assessor's Map #4, Lots 1061-1063

Surveyor: Frank A. Beard Organization: Me. Hist. Pres. Comm. Date: 7/79

Owner: Boise Cascade Corporation; C/O Raymond H. Taylor

59 Congress Street; Rumford, Maine 04276



Description: The Rumford Falls Power Company Building is two stories tall, constructed of brick with concrete trim. Originally above the second story there was a wide denticulated cornice with parapet carrying concrete urns and a low false front with the name of the building in raised letters. Today these elements have been eliminated, although the height of the building is unchanged.

Significance: Built by the company primarily responsible for initiating the phenomenal development of Rumford, this flamboyant structure expresses the enthusiasm and optimism of this then burgeoning community.

The designer of this building was Henry J. Hardenbergh, a noted New York architect, whose commissions included the Waldorf and Plaza Hotels in New York and the Copley Plaza in Boston.