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1. Name

Heating Plant

2. Location

street & number: 10th St. N.E. of Bowden Hall, WNMU
city, town: Silver City state: New Mexico code: 035
county: Grant code: NM-017

3. Classification

Category: Building
Ownership: Public
Status: Occupied
Present Use: Heating Plant

4. Owner of Property

name: Regents of Western New Mexico University
street & number: Western New Mexico University
city, town: Silver City state: New Mexico

5. Location of legal Description

courthouse, etc.: Grant County Courthouse
street & number: Cooper and Broadway
city, town: Silver City state: New Mexico

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

On State Register of Historic Places.

7. Description

Condition: Fair

Description: The Heating Plant is a painted brick two-story California Mission Revival Style building with a basement. It has a hipped roof with metal round Spanish Tile, four hipped dormers with wood shingle sides that have louvers in the front. Windows are double hung 4/4 tandem with an arched four lite transom over each pair, concrete sills, and segmental arches with raised detailing. Entrance has a single leaf four panel wood door with filled in transom and segmental arch with raised detailing. The Heating Plant was built to house the manual arts classrooms and provide heat for the campus. Built in 1909, it was the third building constructed on Western's campus and is currently the second oldest building on campus (Spanish Hall, 1907, was demolished in 1982). The Plant was built in a square shape and the architect is unknown.

8. Significance

Period: 1900-

Areas of Significance: Architecture

Dates: 1909

Builder/Architect: N/A Built by Black and Atkins

Statement of Significance, Criterion C: The Heating Plant is one of three buildings built prior to 1920 and one of four built in the California Mission Revival Style on the Western New Mexico

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University Campus. The California Mission Revival Style was the predominant style on Western's campus during this period and the style for many buildings on four other New Mexico campuses built in the same period between 1906 and 1936. The Heating Plant is significant because it represents the beginning of a period of modernization of the campus with the addition of centralized heat. The building also housed classrooms for the "manual arts". The architect is unknown; however, the building's California Mission Revival Style is true to the other four buildings constructed in the same style and period.

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographic Data

Acreage: 0.034 acres
Quadrangle name & scale: Silver City Quadrangle; 1:24,000
UTM References:

Zone	Easting	Northing
12	754650	3629500

Verbal boundary description and justification: On the lands of Western New Mexico University from the point where 10 St. turns into Louisiana St., proceed SW 50 feet to the NE corner of the heating plant; turn west and proceed 30 feet to the NW corner of the building; turn south and proceed 50 feet to the SW corner of the building; turn east and proceed 30 feet to the SE corner of the building; turn north and proceed 50 feet to the point of origin (note: this verbal boundary description is not a legal filed description for Heating Plant. This description is the area around the building measured and described for the Historic Register generally using a landmark as a beginning and ending point for easier reference.).

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