

**HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY**  
**BUILDING AND STRUCTURES**  
 HIST-6 NEW 5/77

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STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
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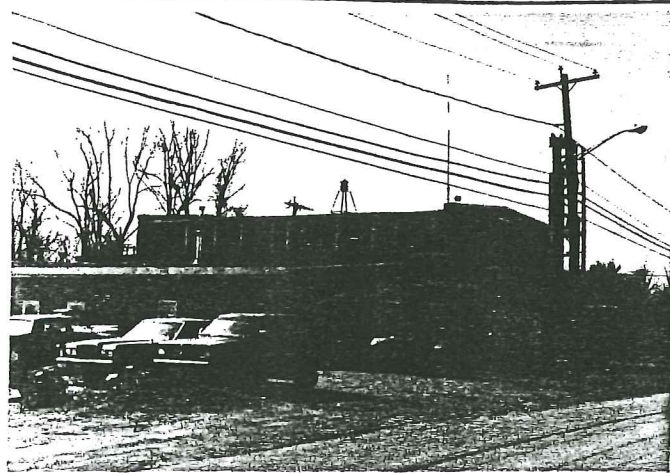
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| FOR OFFICE USE ONLY                                    |  |
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| Town No.:  | Site No.:  |
| UTM  |  |
| QUAD:  |  |
| DISTRICT   | IF NR, SPECIFY   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> S <input type="checkbox"/> NR | <input type="checkbox"/> Actual <input type="checkbox"/> Potential |

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| IDENTIFICATION | 1. BUILDING NAME (Common) (Historic)<br>LA FRAMBOISE WELL DRILLING  |  |
|                | 2. TOWN-CITY<br>THOMPSON  | VILLAGE<br>EAST THOMPSON   |
|                | 3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location)<br>1358 ROUTE 193 (647 THOMPSON RD.) 122/31-13   |  |
|                | 4. OWNER(S)<br>LA FRAMBOISE-TOUTANT WELL DRILLING, INC., RR#1, THOMPSON, CT 06277 <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private |  |
|                | 5. USE (Present) (Historic)<br>Industrial   |  |
|                | 6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No   | EXTERIOR VISIBLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
|                | 7. STYLE OF BUILDING<br>Industrial  |  |
|                | 8. MATERIAL(S) (Indicate use or location when appropriate)  |  |
|                | 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM  |  |
|                | 10. ROOF (Type)   |  |
| DESCRIPTION    | 11. NUMBER OF STORIES<br>1 1/2  |  |
|                | 12. CONDITION (Structural) (Exterior)   |  |
|                | 13. INTEGRITY (Location) WHEN? (Alterations) IF YES, EXPLAIN  |  |
|                | 14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES  |  |
|                | 15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT   |  |
|                | 16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS  |  |

(OVER)

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| PHOTO       | PHOTOGRAPHER<br>Mark McDonough                |                        | DATE<br>1986 |
|             | VIEW  | NEGATIVE ON FILE<br>J3 |              |
| COMPILED BY | NAME<br>Mark McDonough                        |                        | DATE<br>1986 |
|             | ORGANIZATION<br>Town of Thompson, Connecticut |                        |              |
|             | ADDRESS                                       |                        |              |



20 SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATION:

17 OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior)

Five-bay facade with central garage entry. Windows have 20 pane industrial steel sash, pointed concrete lintels. Monitor roof has side walls covered in asphalt siding, all other major wall areas are cobblestone. Large shed-roofed left addition.

18 ARCHITECT

BUILDER

19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

This small industrial building was built about 1921 by Emile Bayer, who operated a small foundry and blacksmith's shop on the premises. In 1962, Bayer sold the property to Roland Toutant and Francis B. LaFramboise; it now houses LaFramboise Well Drilling. The building is historically significant as one of Thompson's few surviving historic industrial buildings not associated with the textile industry.

Architecturally, it is significant as an example of a simple industrial structure with masonry ornamentation. Cobblestones were a popular picturesque material between about 1910 and 1930.

SOURCES

Thompson Assessor's Records  
Thompson Land Records 38:559 (1921)

21 THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

None known     Highways     Vandalism     Developers     Other \_\_\_\_\_

Renewal     Private     Deterioration     Zoning     Explanaton \_\_\_\_\_