Continental Clay Brick Plant

S.E. of Martinsburg on Route 9

Martinsburg

West Virginia

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Berkeley

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Continental Clay Products Company
c/o Carl Hegen

7394 Reservoir Road

Springfield, Va. 22150

Martinsburg, WV 25401

M-113, Group D, Section III, Berkeley County Historical Society & Berkeley County Historical Landmarks Commission Survey

1973-78

Berkeley County Courthouse

Martinsburg, WV 25401
An impressive battery of obsolete beehive brick kilns remain. The Company was established in 1917 at which time the first kilns were built. Originally the kilns were coal fired but later converted to gas. The discontinuance of the beehive method was replaced by a continuous production line method which is currently used. Selected kilns are still used for drying sand.
The Continental Clay Products beehive kilns are significant for the representation of the 19th century brick industry. Although constructed at a relatively late date, beehive kilns represent the method of producing brick used throughout the 19th century. The massing of numerous beehive ovens and chimneys makes an impressive industrial site with considerable character.
**MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Report, Professor Emory Kemp

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**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

100 ft. on each side of the kilns.

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**FORM PREPARED BY**

**NAME/TITLE** Don C. Wood, Genealogist, Historian, Historic Archeologist

**ORGANIZATION**
- President, Berkeley County Historical Society
- Chairman, Berkeley County Historical Landmarks Commission

**STREET & NUMBER**
Route 3, Box 79

**CITY OR TOWN** Martinsburg, WV 25401

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**STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION**

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

- NATIONAL
- STATE
- LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665). I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

**STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE**

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Beginning at the main entrance at the Charles Town Road, thence up the entrance road SW 270 ft., thence NW, excluding the large new building, 660 ft., thence N along the railroad spur 330 ft., thence SE along the former railroad spur 850 ft. to the beginning.
BRICK KILNS - CONTINENTAL CLAY PRODUCTS COMPANY
MARTINSBURG, BERKELEY CO., W.VA.

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Charles Town Road

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SCALE
1 : 7920

New Buildings
CONTINENTAL CLAY PRODUCTS
Martinsburg, Berkeley Co.

Site plan

(as of May 1998)

K. Jourdan

OFFICE

Photo 1

PIT

STATE RT 9
Continental Clay Brick Plant