

Solvay Plant Rosignano

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' Nov '44

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TRANSLATION

AS/EL

Subject: Supplying of sodium carbonate for the factories in North Italy. 33/45

Following your intervention, as is shown by copy of letter attached dated 17 Sept. of our Branch in Rome, the transportation S/C has ordered to allot the rail-cars needed by the Solvay at the Rosignano Station to freight 225 tons of sodium carbonate and caustic soda to our factories in Milan Rogoredo, Arquata Scrivia, Groane and Cengio.

In sending you our thanks we inform you that we must now withdraw from the Solvay in Rosignano the following other quantities of sodium carbonate.

- 13 tons for the Montecatini in Spineta for the production of sodium dicromates
- 34 " for the Montecatini in Milan Rogoredo for the production of hydrosulphites, phosphates and sulphites;
- 15 " for the Montecatini in Milan Nord Bovisa for the production anhydrous sodium bisulphite;
- 18 " for the "Farmaceutici Italia" in Settimo Torinese for the production of sulphaeu-lamides, salicylic compounds, italcina barbiturici, pyrazol compounds;
- 15 " for the ACNA in Cengio for the production of intermediates and dyestuffs;
- 15 " for the Montecatini in Vicenza for the manufacturing of arseniates.

115 tons.

Only 7 cars are needed and we beg you to again intervene by the transportation S/C to obtain the allotment for which our Offices in Rome have made regular Bid.

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TRANSLATION

AS/11

Direzione
Servizio Affari Generali
Rapporto Alleati

Rome 17 Sept. 45

Subject: Soda for the Factories in North Italy.

To : Transportation Service
Milan

We confirm our signal dated 14 s/m: Received permit A.C. transportation requested your signal we send request rail cars transportation soda to Rosignano letter follows.

Gabbo Rome

And we inform you that I.S.R. Movement Section following the C K of the A.C. have accepted our request for the movement of:

- 50 tons. of sodium coal for our factory in Milan - Via Bonfadini N. 140- Milan- Rogoredo Station.
- 45 tons Sodium carbonate for our Factories in Arquata Scriva - Arquata Scriva Station.
- 50 " Sodium carbonate for the ACMA Factory in Cesano Maderno - Groave Station- ACMA side track.
- 110 " caustic soda for the ACMA Factory in Cengio- Cengio Station.

The movements should take place before the 23rd. of this month and at most, not after the end of the month.

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ALLIED COMMISSION
OFFICE OF REPRESENTATIVE OF CHIEF COMMISSIONER
INDUSTRY SUB-COMMISSION
MILAN

Tel. 632141 - Ext. 55

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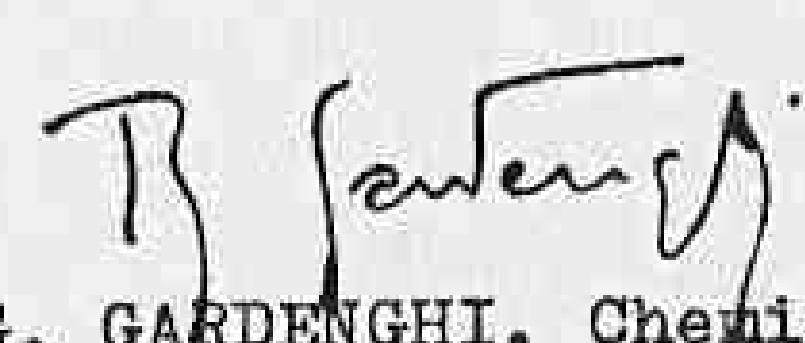
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2 Oct 45

SUBJECT : Transportation of Soda

TO : HQ. Allied Commission
Transportation Sub-Commission
APO 394

1. Further to our AC/498/N/IND dated 6 Sept 45 on same subject.
2. Herewith copy of a letter from Soc. Montecatini is forwarded to your Sub-Commission for information and necessary action.


R.G. GARDENGHI, Chemical Engineer

for A. MACNAUGHTON-WRIGHT, Major
Officer in Charge
Industry Sub-Commission
Northern Headquarters

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copy of ltr. from Montecatini
ref. Fd 6 (8) K/ve dtd. 27 Sept 45

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C O P I AMONTECATINI
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Milano 27 Settembre 1945

Alla COMMISSIONE ALLEARA DI CONTROLLO
Sottocommissione IndustriaM I L A N OOggetto: Approvvigionamento
carbonato sodico per
gli stabilimenti del
Nord Italia.=

A seguito del Vs. cortese intervento, come risulta dalla acclusa copia di lettera in data 17 corr. della ns. Direzione di Roma, la Sottocommissione Trasporti della A.C. di Roma ha dato disposizioni per la fornitura dei carri occorrenti alla Solvay in stazione di Rosignano per la spedizione di 255 tonn. di carbonato di soda e soda caustica ai ns. stabilimenti di Milano Rogoredo, Arquata Scrivia, Groane e Cengio.

Nel porgerVi i ns. ringraziamenti ci permettiamo segnalarVi che dobbiamo ora ritirare sempre dalla Solvay di Rosignano i seguenti ulteriori quantitativi di carbonato sodico:

tonn. 18 per la Montecatini di Spinetta per la produzione di bicromato sodico; *sodium bichromate*

" 34 per la Montecatini di Milano Rogoredo per la produzione di idrosolfiti, fosfati e solfiti;
hydrosulphites, phosphates and sulphites

" 15 per la Montecatini di Milano Nord Bovisa per la produzione di bisolfito soda anidro;
anhydrous sodium bisulphite

" 18 per la Farmaceutici Italia di Settimo Torinese per la produzione di sulfamidici, salicilici, italcina, barbiturici, pirazoli e guaiacologici;

" 15 per l'ACNA di Cengio per la produzione di intermedi e sostanze coloranti;
intermediates and dyestuffs

" 15 per la Montecatini di Vicenza per la lavorazione di arseniati. *arsenates*

tonn. 115

Occorreranno complessivamente solo 7 carri per la concessione dei quali Vi preghiamo ancora una volta intervenire presso la Sottocommissione Trasporti di Roma per appoggiare la richiesta fatta da quella ns. Direzione con la presentazione dei prescritti "Bid".

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DIREZIONE
SERVIZIO AFFARI GENERALI
Rapporto Alleati
PDG/gb

Roma 17 Settembre 1945

SERVIZIO TRASPORTI
M I L A N O

OGGETTO: Soda per le fabbriche del Nord

Vi confermiamo il ns. "lampo" del 14 u.s. così concepito:
TRASPORTI VOSTRO LAMPO RICEVUTA AUTORIZZAZIONE AC PASSIAMO
RICHIESTE VAGONI SODA RASIGNANO SEGUE LETTERA
GABRO ROMA

E Vi comunichiamo che le FF.SS Servizio Movimento, a
seguito di benestare dell'AC, hanno accettato le ns. richieste per la spedi-
zione di:

tonn. 50.= carbone sodio per la ns. Fabbrica di Milano - Via Bonfadini
n. 140 - stazione Milano Rogoredo.
tonn. 45.= carbonato sodio per le ns. Fabbriche di Arquata Scrivia -
stazione Arquata Scrivia.
tonn. 50.= carbonato sodio per la Fabbrica di Cesano Maderno delle ACNA -
stazione Grano - raccordo ACNA.
tonn. 110.= soda caustica per la fabbrica di Cengio dell'ACNA - stazione
di Cengio.

Le spedizioni dovrebbero avvenire entro il 23 corr. e comunque
non oltre la fine del mese.

Distinti saluti.

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

18 September 1945

Tel : 478704

331/44/Tn 3

SUBJECT : Supply of Coke from Apuania to Solvay Rosignano

TO : Industry Sub-Commission (Attn. Mr. Dorkovich)

1. Reference request for movement of coke from stockpile at Apuania to port of Massa for loading to barge.
2. Arrangements are now being made through Roads Division for road haulage, the bid form has been completed by Signor Boyer, and it is hoped to commence the movement during this week.

For the Director

H.E. CONSTABLE,
Major H.E.

Copy to : Roads Division - Please treat this movement as urgent
Coal Division - Your AG/CD/130.1/Commerce dated 6
Sept refers.

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C O P Y.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
COMMITTEE SUB COMMISSION
COAL DIVISION
ARC 394

331/43

Tel. : 327

Ref. : AC/CD/130.1/Commerce.

6 September 1945.

Subject : Supply of Metallurgical Coke from
Cokapumia to Solvay, Rosignano.

To : Ministry of Transport

1. We refer to Metallurgical Coke requirements of
Solvay, Rosignano.

2. We authorize release of 1,500 tons Metallurgical
Coke ex stockpile at Anuania (near Apuania) for account of Sol-
vay, Rosignano.

3. We are informed that arrangements have been made
by you with the Solvay people for the Transportation of coke by
lorries to a small port near Massa, where the coke is to be loa-
ded on barge or small vessel and conveyed to a pier near Rosi-
gnano.

fto: IVANS

Copy to :

Ministry of Industry & Commerce (attn. Industry & Mining
Div.)
Solvay Rosignano.

received by Solvay Co. 1891

27up - Massa

Ref. : 327

Ref. : AC/CD/130.1/Commerce.

6 September 1945.

Subject : Supply of Metallurgical Coke from
Cokerunia to Solway, Rosignano.

To : Ministry of Transport

1. We refer to Metallurgical Coke requirements of Solway, Rosignano.
2. We authorize release of 1,500 tons Metallurgical Coke ex stockpile at Avennia (near Anagnina) for account of Solway, Rosignano.
3. We are informed that arrangements have been made by you with the Solway people for the transportation of coke by lorries to a small port near Massa, where the coke is to be loaded on barge or small vessel and conveyed to a pier near Rosignano.

fto: EVANS

Copy to :

Ministry of Industry & Commerce (atth. Industry & Mining
Div.)
Solway Rosignano.

owned by Solway, Co. 1891

[27 tons - Massa]

[used for to Massa 5 Ha]

100 tons daily.

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Your approval is hereby kindly requested.

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ROMA (30) 10th Sept. 1945
VIA ANTONIO SALANDRA, 13

copy to : AC/HQ - Industry S/C
Chemicals Division
(attn. Mr. Derskovich)

Montecatini
Servizio Trasporti
S E D E

I. In accordance with plans laid out in Milan by AC and Chemicals Division of AC/HQ Industry S/C, our factories of Linate, Arquata, Cesano Maderno and Settimo Torinese must be supplied, during the month of September, with 500 Tons of soda ash and caustic soda, which are to be released from Soc. Solvay - Rosignano.

Distribution should be as follows :

3	rail cars with soda ash to Milano-	Rogoredo - Linave factory (50 tons)
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3	"	"
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2. Your approval is hereby kindly requested.

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Report

Nella risposta indicare anche sulla busta l'UFFICIO SCRIVENTE

ALLIED COMMISSION
OFFICE OF REPRESENTATIVE OF CHIEF COMMISSIONER
INDUSTRY SUB-COMMISSION
Foro Bonaparte 16
MILAN

Tel. 067 - Ext. 248

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Ref. AC/498/N/IND

6 Sept 45

SUBJECT : Transportation of soda

TO : HQ. Allied Commission
Transportation Sub-Commission

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1. Herewith copy of a letter forwarded by Soc. Montecatini re transportation of caustic soda and soda ashes.
2. As stated in the last paragraph of a/m letter bids will be forwarded to your Sub-Commission by Montecatini Office in Rome.
3. This is to inform you that this Sub-Commission has made enquiries about the requested transportation and considers it fully justified.

W.A.K. Finlayson

W.A.K. FINLAYSON, Major

for A.H. GLENDINNING, Colonel
Officer in Charge
Industry Sub-Commission
Northern Headquarters

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copy ltr. from Montecatini
dated 4/9/45 ref. DV/as

Copy to: - Allied Commission Northern HQ.
Transportation Sub-Commission

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TRANSLATION

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C O P YMONTECATINI COY
MILAN

Milan 4/8/1945

TO : Allied Control Commission
Industry Sub-Commission
MILANSUBJECT : Supply of sodium carbide and caustic soda for the
factories of Northern Italy.

On the month of September we must withdraw from the factory of Rosignano of the Solvay Company, 500 tons of sodium carbide and caustic soda for our factories of Milan Linate, Spinetta, Arquata, Cesano Maderno and Settimio Torinese.

We have already initiated to withdraw part of the amount with trucks, but this way is too expensive and involves a serious consumption of fuel and tyres; we would like therefore to withdraw it by rail and as railway communications have been reoperated please authorize the station of Rosignano to enable the Solvay Company to despatch during the month of September the following rail cars:-

3- rail cars of sodium carbide	(50 Tons) for the factory Montecatini e Milan Rogored (Linate)
3- " " " "	(45 Tons) for the factory Montecatini of "arquata.
3- " " " "	(50 Tons) for the ACNA of Groane (Cesano Maderno factory)
6- " " caustic soda	(110 Tons) for the ACNA of Cengio.

After all the cars requested are only 15 and we hope therefore that our application will be accepted.

Our Office in Rome will submit to the Transportation Sub-Commission all the bids concerning these concernings.

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C O P I A

M O N T E C A T I N I
Milano

Servizio trasporti

Milano 4/9/1945

Alla Commissione Alleata di Controllo
Sottocommissione Industria

Oggetto: Approvvigionamento carbonato sodico e soda caustica per gli stabilimenti del nord Italia

M I L A N O

DV/as

Nel mese di settembre dobbiamo ritirare dallo Stabilimento di Rosignano della Soc. Solvay 500 tonn. di carbonato sodico e soda caustica destinato alle ns/ fabbriche di Milano-Linate, Spinetta, Arquata, Cesano Maderno e Settimo Torinese/

Per una parte di questo quantitativo abbiamo già iniziato i ritiri a mezzo autocarri i quali però comportano una spesa assai considerevole ed un sensibile consumo di carburante e pneumatici: vorremmo perciò poterlo ritirare a mezzo ferrovia e poichè il collegamento ferroviario è stato ristabilito Vi preghiamo voler autorizzare la stazione di Rosignano ad accettare da parte della Soc. Solvay la spedizione nel corrente mese di settembre (e possibilmente non più tardi del giorno 20):

- di 3 carri di carbonato sodico (50 tonn.) per lo stabilimento Montecatini di Milano Rogoredo (Linate)
- " 3 " " " (45 tonn.) per lo stabilimento Montecatini di Arquata
- " 3 " " " (50 tonn.) per l'A.C.N.A. di Groane (Stab. Cesano Maderno)
- " 6 " " soda caustica (110 tonn.) per l'A.C.N.A. di Cengio

Si tratta in tutto di soli 15 carri e confidiamo pertanto che la ns/ richiesta sarà favorevolmente accolta.

Il ns/ ufficio di Roma provvederà a presentare alla C.A. Sottocommissione trasporti i "Bid" relativi a queste spedizioni.

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, AC
(RAIL DIVISION)
c/o Transportation (Br) main
C.M.F.

Tel. 843238
Ref. AC/129/Tn 4

26 June 45

SUBJECT : Tank cars for Amonia.

PO 1 ISR - EIdg.

1. Tank cars 522604-522605-538640 and 538649 property of the Solvay plant are now at Rosignano and should be moved to Hera Montoro at once.
2. Tank cars are to be properly labeled so that they will remain in the service of the Solvay plant between Rosignano and Hera Montoro and used only for the movement of ammonia.

Christian Meyer
for Director

Copy to: ✓ Movement's Rail (Worthington phone conversation file 311/29
" " tn 3.)
DANIEL - Bldg. (Maj.London)

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

INTER OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Tele : 475704

26 June 1945

468/13/Tn.3.

SUBJECT : Increase of I.S.P. responsibility for
Civilian rail MovementTO : Rail Division (M.A.L.)

1.

Under the recent agreement reached with A.M.B.A. for allocation of block tonnages to cover civilian movement by rail, Cape Comberland will be responsible for wagon supply and at a higher level the matter will be dealt with directly by the Allied Commission, D.M.F.S. and the M.V. I.O. to the M.R.S. (see G-4 (Nov & Tn) AFHQ Working Instruction No.29 dated 22 June '45, copy of which is in your possession). Rail Division (Tn.4.) will handle all questions of wagon supply on behalf of Allied Commission and Movements Division will not enter in on day-to-day questions unless you request the matter be raised with higher authority.

2.

The necessity of ensuring adequate daily supply of suitable empty rolling stock at all loading points cannot be over emphasised. To demonstrate the difficulties experienced to date, the following is a summary of the current position on line 50 Rome - Leghorn :-

a - Port Clearance from Ploching and Civitavecchia.
Copy of our letter 27/20/Tn.3. dated 7 June '45 and addressed to D.M.R.S. is attached. Ploching must be stepped up to 1500 tons per day as soon as possible. The present allotment of 50 wagons per day has cleared all back-pile and ships are being discharged currently, but as soon as port capacity is increased wagon supply must be at the rate of 80 wagons per day. For Civitavecchia 100 wagons per day will ensure 1750 tons clearance by rail per day, which is satisfactory at the moment. Wagons for local loadings such as Cement are of course, additional. Heavy shipping programmes will call for rail clearance of 2000/2250 tons per day. Copy of current shipping programme is being sent you and Rail Division will be included in all future distributions.

b - Flushing. Handles coal moved from Civitavecchia by barge. Average of 20/25 wagons (high side opens) required daily. This will probably be doubled in near future.

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SUBJECT: Increase of I.S.R. responsibility for
Civilian rail movement

TO : Rail Division (Mn.4.)

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Civitavecchia

a - Port Clearance from Pignone and Civitavecchia.
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b - Fluidizing. Bunkers coal moved from Civitavecchia by barge. Average of 20/25 wagons (high side opens) required daily. This will probably be doubled in near future.

a - Ribella Lignite Mine. Traffic joins line 50 at Giamerice. There is serious situation has developed, but only since wagon supply for Forte has improved. During the three loading periods 4 - 24 June the following tonnages were accepted and programmed:-

Northbound	5439 tons	-	317 wagons
Southbound	5913 "	-	366 "

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Wagons required have been estimated on basis of 17 tons per wagon. Against this tonnage programmed only 174 loads moved showing a deficit in wagon supply of 491 wagons during the three week period. Of the 174 loads which did in fact move, 140 were by Solway Hepper wagons carrying between Ribolla Mines and Ronzano. In other words the railway service only provided 34 common user wagons in three weeks. On 9 days during the three weeks the mines were completely without wagons. These figures are quoted from daily returns passed over by M.P.S. to Movements - Rail. Sufficient has been said and written on the importance of lignite in recent weeks to make it unnecessary to re-emphasize the matter. Unless the loading programmes are met in full, fuel will not be provided for Hospitals, Bakeries, Gas and Electricity Plants, Cement Plants etc., who are compelled to operate on bare margins and are never in a position to build-up reserves.

d - Solway Plant, Rosignano. Attached copy of Industry Sub-Commission letter AC/5616/IND dated 25 June '45, is self-explanatory. The rehabilitation of this plant was given Priority I by A.F.H.Q. Now that production has recommenced we must provide sufficient transportation for minimum fuel requirements and for distribution of production as programmed.

e - Pyrites from Sparling. Rail tonnage has been greatly reduced because bulk of the traffic now moves by sea from Portiglione. There are, however, regular weekly consignments to Cristello, Rome, Ternolara and Mare Montore.

f - Other traffic. Loading programmes will indicate all other miscellaneous traffic, which includes grain from various loading points and will shortly include lignite from Baccinello Mine, loading at Grosseto.

3.

It will be seen from the foregoing that insufficient rolling stock is being allocated daily to Line 50 and this position should be corrected as early as possible. The I.S.R. will undoubtedly require a lot of assistance from Rail Division, particularly in connection with wagon distribution and it is requested you give this matter your constant attention, in order that the satisfactory progress which has been made in establishing definite tonnage allocation for civilian traffic will not be nullified by failure to ensure satisfactory wagon supply.

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4 - Solvay Plant, Rosignano. Attached copy of Industry Sub-Commission letter AC/5616/IND dated 25 June '45, is self-explanatory. The rehabilitation of this plant was given Priority I by A.S.R.C. Now that production has recommenced we must provide sufficient transportation for minimum fuel requirements and for distribution of production as programmed.

5 - Exits from Sealing. Rail tonnage has been greatly reduced because bulk of the traffic now moves by sea from Portiglione. There are, however, regular weekly consignments to Orbetello, Rome Tuscolana and Roma Mentoro.

6 - Other traffic. Loading programmes will indicate all other miscellaneous traffic, which includes grain from various loading points and will shortly include lignite from Decimanno Mine, loading at Grosseto.

3.

It will be seen from the foregoing that insufficient rolling stock is being allocated daily to Line 52 and this position should be corrected as early as possible. The I.S.R. will undoubtedly require a lot of assistance from Rail Division, particularly in connection with wagon distribution and it is requested you give this matter your constant attention, in order that the satisfactory progress which has been made in establishing definite tonnage allocation for civilian traffic will not be nullified by failure to ensure satisfactory wagon supply.

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Signed by *Col. Liff*
M.J. HIRSH, Colonel
Chief Movements Division

Copy to file : 277/m.3.
283/m.3.
285/m.3.
301/m.3.
342/m.3.

JWB/elc

TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Tel : 476704

27 June 1945

331/39/Ta 3

SUBJECT : Solvay Plant, Resignano
and Rail Transportation

TO : Industry Sub-Commission

1. Reference your AC/5616/IND dated 25 June '45 and conversation (Opotowski - Glendinning - Baker) on the subject of rail transportation for the Solvay plant.
2. The wagon situation on line 50 Rome - Leghorn has recently been very acute, due largely to the fact that there have been very considerable movements of refugees and heavy rail clearances from the Ports of Piombino and Civitavecchia. The military re-deployment programme has also affected wagon supply. The matter is engaging the constant attention of this Sub-Commission and in conjunction with M.R.S. every effort is being made daily to improve wagon distribution.
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TO : Industry Sub-Commission

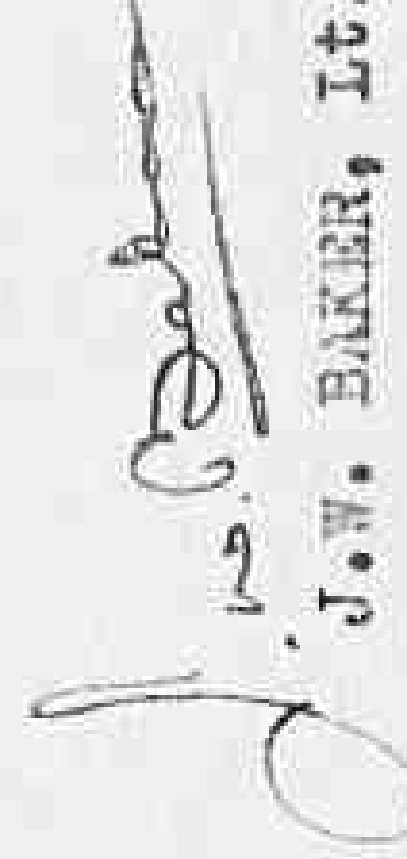
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For the Director


J.W. BAKER, Lt. Col.

Copy to : Rail Division (Tn 4) (Operations Branch)

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
INDUSTRY SUB-COMMISSION

Tel. 489081, Ext. 328

WHG/djw

Ref. AC/5616/IND

25 June 1945

SUBJECT: Railway Transport

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission
(Attn: Lt. Col. Baker)

321/37

1. Reference conversation Lt. Col. Baker/Dr. Opatowski, about movement for the Solvay Co. The facts are as follows:

- a) Our accepted bids for movement of 250 tons of sodium carbonate from Rosignano to Rome during the week 10-16 June did not materialise.
- b) In addition to the 250 tons in (a), you have accepted a bid for a further 450 tons during present week. Our latest report is that no wagons have turned up.
- c) On 28 May a request was made to you to arrange the movement of 4 rail tank cars (the property of Solvay Co.) containing ammonia solution from Rosignano to Nera Montoro. It is known that these tanks had not been moved on June 15.
- d) 6,000 tons of Ribolla Lignite is required monthly to run this plant, even on minimum production.

4,000 tons are being moved by Hopper wagons belonging to Solvay, and only a negligible quantity by wagons supplied by Transportation.

2. It would be appreciated if you could investigate the position and inform this Sub-Commission as soon as possible.

A. H. Glendinning
A. H. GLENDINNING, Lt. Col.

for W. J. MASKREY, Lt. Col.
Acting Director
Industry Sub-Commission

See folio 39
rb/b
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Date/11.

8 June 1948

Memo: Mr. Clegg/11-10.

Subject: Survey of the, Resignation.

Re: Industry and Commission.

1. Further reference is made to the report dated 2 June 1948 and this sub-commission memorandum dated 2 June 1948.

2. The Bill does not contain any provision for the registration of the Bill. Priority of movement is not given, and the Bill is not carried out of the schedule from the date of its submission. It is now in production and is not yet ready to carry out. Some of the points are as follows: Please give earliest possible advice of date you wish this traffic to commence.

3. The regular weekly shipment of 100 tons of sodium carbonate and caustic soda, in bags and drums, to Naples can be carried out by schedule from the date of its submission. The Bill does not provide for the shipment of 100 tons per week to the Bill and only be expected by the Bill from the date of its submission. It is now in production and is not yet ready to carry out. Some of the points are as follows: Please give earliest possible advice of date you wish this traffic to commence.

4. At the present moment the Bill is in production and is not yet ready to carry out. It is now in production and is not yet ready to carry out. Some of the points are as follows: Please give earliest possible advice of date you wish this traffic to commence.

5. It is requested, therefore, that the Bill be made on the regular weekly shipment to the Bill from the date of its submission. It is now in production and is not yet ready to carry out. Some of the points are as follows: Please give earliest possible advice of date you wish this traffic to commence.

For the Director:

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J. C. Clegg
J. C. Clegg, Director
11-10-48

1. In that instances your subject is used to June the this sub-branch for information 101/001/001, dated 1 June 1945.

2. The Mail also for which no program was established at 1000. Priority of program was established, and same, for program dated 1-12/45 at 1000, was also established by you. The information that although this flight is now in production you are not yet ready to carry out Commanded Shipments. Please give earliest possible advice of date you wish this flight to commence.

3. The regular weekly shipment of the tone of communication and material, in 1000 and 1000, to 1000s can be shipped out of 1000s from 1000. The old tone per week to 1000 and 1000 is separated by 1000 from 1000s to 1000 or 1000s by 1000s to 1000s, and opportunity would be 1000s. Every 10 days from 1000 to 1000 tone could be shipped.

4. At the present moment military programs will not permit of more acceptance of any further civil ships into 1000 but this is being reviewed again at the end of June. In any case, the 1000s situation is such that everything possible must be done to allow shipping which would otherwise be required to 1000s and even though it would be necessary to allow 1000s from 1000s to 1000s and possibly from 1000s to 1000s, 1000s would be considerably less.

5. It is requested, therefore, that this be made on Movements Division - Shipping Branch, for the regular and 1000s and 1000s division - 1000s, for the regular weekly shipment to 1000s.

For the Director:

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J. B. Adams
J. B. Adams,
Lt. Colonel.

Copy to: Movements Division - Shipping (1000/000/1/1000).
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

RH/nc

Ref. : AC/678/1/Tn.3

5 June 45

SUBJECT : Solway Plant Rosignano.-

TO : Chief Movements Division

1. Ref. your letter 351/32/Tn.3 dated 3 June addressed to Industry Sub-Commission.

2. Shipment of 420 tons a week of sodium carbonate and caustic soda could be effected regularly from Vada to Naples by schooner while the shipment of 210 tons per week to Bari would have to be effected from Piombino to Bari or Brindisi by Line's Coastwise sailings; opportunity would be once about every 30 days when up to 1000 tons could be shipped.

3. At this moment Military exigencies will not allow port acceptance of any further civil ships into Bari but this is being reviewed again at the end of this month when it is anticipated it will be possible to ship to Bari.

R. L. Hoyle
R. HOYLE
Capt. R.E.

~~Copy Industry Sub-Commission~~

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

INTER OFFICE MEMORANDUM.

JAC/h.

Ref: 351/32/Tr.3.

3 June 1945.

SUBJECT: Solvay Plant, Rosignano.

TO: Industry Sub-Commission.

1. Reference your C/5405/IND dated 2 June 1945.

2. It is noted that a regular clearance from Solvay Plant, Rosignano, of sodium carbonate and caustic soda, in boxes and drums, is required each week as under:-

420 tons to Rome,
450 tons to Naples,
210 tons to Bari.

3. Arrangements have been made for bids to be considered at A.F.S.C. Priority of Movement Conference, 4th June, for movement by Rail during the period 11-17 June 1945. Will you please arrange to submit weekly rail bids to cover future movements.

4. It should be noted that 'closed' wagons cannot be guaranteed for this traffic as the military Re-deployment programme and the movement of large numbers of P.W.s and Displaced Persons are making heavy demands for box wagons available.

5. Demands for Rail transportation are increasing and Movements Division - Shipping, are studying the possibility of moving the Naples and Bari tonnage by sea on a regular programme. Results of this study will be communicated to you as soon as possible.

For the Director:

M. J. SIREY, C.

M. J. SIREY,
Colonel.

Copy to: Mov-Shipping (Please study the possibilities of moving regular traffic to Naples and Bari by sea).

FILE

Tel. 478090

RSO/mm

Ref.AC/5605/IND.

2 June 1945

SUBJECT : Solvay Plant - Rosignano
TO : Transportation Sub-Commission
Movement Division - Rail
(Attn. Lt. Col. Baker)
FROM : Industry Sub-Commission

331/31
231/8

1. The Solvay plant in Rosignano has resumed production at a rate of 240 tons of sodium carbonate and caustic soda per day.

2. It is planned to transfer by rail 150 tons of products (in bags and drums) per day, as follows:

60	tons	to	Rome
60	"	"	Naples
30	"	"	Bari

3. No difficulties will arise if the above transfers be arranged on a weekly basis, as follows:

420	tons	to	Rome
420	"	"	Naples
210	"	"	Bari

(Solvay Co.)
11-17 June

4. Closed wagons are required.

5. In view of the importance of the above movements, it will be appreciated if a transportation schedule on a permanent basis could be worked out by you, so that regular distribution of the above products to the main centers be assured.

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Copy to :-
File 5616
Economic Section

W. J. Maskrey
W. J. MASKREY
Lt. Colonel,
Acting Director,
Industry Sub-Commission.

PGM/ic

TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, AC
(RAIL DIVISION)
c/o Transportation (Br) Main
C.M.F.

Tel. 843238

Ref. AC/129/Tn 4

1 June 1945

SUBJECT : Tank Cars for AmmoniaTO : DMRSI - Bldg.

1. Tank Cars 522604, 522605, 538640 and 538649 property of the Solvay Plant at Rosignano have been inspected by ISR and found to be in condition to operate over their lines.

2. Request is made to use these tanks in service between Rosignano and Nera Montoro.

3. It is reported that these tanks are suitable for handling Ammonia only.

For the Chief Commissioner :

P.G. MATSON, Major

Copy to: Movements Rail Tn Sub-Comm. (file 331/29/Tn 3)
" " Industry Sub-Comm.
" " Economic Section HQ AC

*Spoken Major Waller am 25/6
who has again seen Major Lawlor
D.M.S. who is giving instructions
for tanks to be moved*

(RAIL DIVISION)
c/o Transportation (Br) Main
C.M.F.

33/30

tel. 843238
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" " Industry Sub-Comm.
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*Spoken Major Matson am 25/6
who has again seen major tanker
D.M.R.S. who is giving inspection
for tankers to be received*

25/6
CMB

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Tel : 478701

31 May 1945

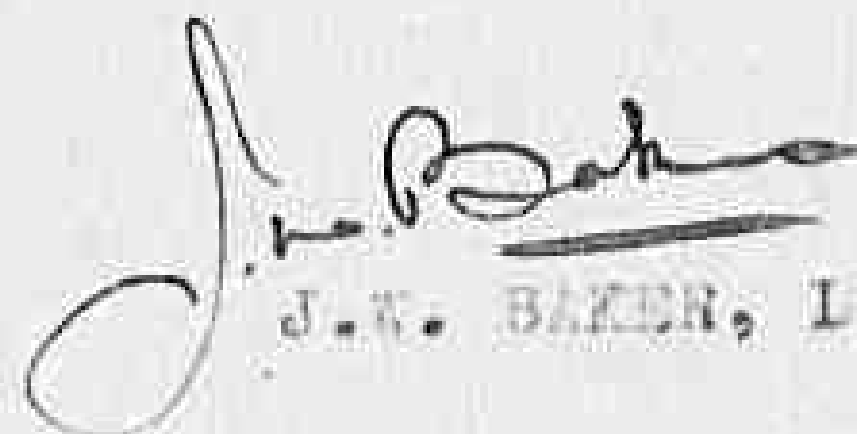
331/29/Tn 3

SUBJECT : Tank cars for Solution of Ammonia

TO : Rail Division (Tn 4)

1. Industry Sub-Commission have requested that rail tank cars Nos 522604, 522605, 538640, 538649, which it is stated have been inspected by I.S.R. and passed for main line traffic, may be permitted to run from the Solvay Plant at Rosignano to Nera Montoro and viceversa with Ammonia Solution on a continual schedule.
2. The tank cars are the property of the Solvay Plant and as they are suitable only for this special traffic the suggestion seems reasonable.
3. If approved by you please have I.S.R. give necessary instructions. The loaded run need not be bid for but the despatching station should enter each consignment on its Form KB.

For Chief Movements Division

 4879
J.K. BAKER, Lt.Col.

Copy to : Industry Sub-Commission
Economic Section

repeated request to Plant
14/6
FD

Tel. 478090

RSO/EP

Ref. AC/5605/IND

28 May 1945

SUBJECT : Solvay Plant
Transfer of Rail-tankers for
Solutions of Ammonia from
Rosignano to Nera Montoro (prov. of Terni)

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission
Movement Division - Rail
(Attn.: Major Worthington)

FROM : Industry Sub-Commission.

1. Solutions of ammonia required for the Solvay works must now be transferred from Nera Montoro (prov. of Terni) to Rosignano.

2. For the above transfer special rail-tankers, property of the Solvay, are used. Four of these tankers have been inspected some days ago by the Italian State Railways - Leghorn and are certified suitable for movement on long distances. The numbers of the above rail-tankers are as follows :

522604
522605
538640
538649 .

3. It is requested that arrangements be made by you with the M.R.S. to have the above tankers transferred :

a) from the Solvay plant in Rosignano to the Ammonia plant at Nera Montoro (prov. of Terni)

b) from Nera Montoro back to Rosignano when filled with ammonia solution.

Copy to :-
Economic Section.

W.J. Maskrey 1878
W.J. MASKREY
Lt. Colonel,
Acting Director,
Industry Sub-Commission.

CHW/mb

TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

INTER OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Telc : 478704

3 May 1945

331/27/Tn.3.

SUBJECT : Selvey Plant - Rosignano transfer of Lignite
from Ribolla Mines to Rosignano.

TO : Industry Sub-Commission

1. Reference your AC/5605/Ind. dated 2 March '45.
2. The M.R.S. have agreed that Selvey plant Hopper wagons may be used for movement of Lignite from Ribolla Mines Giuncarico to Rosignano and that movement can commence w.e.f. 5 May '45.

for the Director.


J.W. BAKER, Lt. Col.

Copy to : Coal Division.

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Tel. 478090

RSO/fl

Ref. AC/5605/LHD

2nd May 1945

SUBJECT : Solvay Plant - Rosignano
Transfer of Lignite from Ribolla-Mine
to Rosignano.

33/26

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission
 Movement Division - Rail Branch
 (Attr.: Lt. Col. Baker)
 (" Maj. Worthington)

CPS
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FROM : Industry Sub-Commission

1. Reference telephone conversation Maj. Worthington (Rome) - Dr. Opatowski (Leghorn) on 25 April and further conversations on the subject under reference, it is forwarded for your information that tests have been carried out at Rosignano as to the suitability of Ribolla lignite for use at the Solvay plant. The above tests were made at the request of Brig. Gen. Magruder, Assistant Chief of Staff G-4 Section, A.F.H.Q.. On the basis of the results obtained, a quantity of approximately 6,000 tons per month of Ribolla lignite will be used at the Solvay plant, thus sparing a corresponding amount of imported coal.

2. In order to facilitate transportation of lignite from Ribolla to Rosignano it was suggested by this Sub-Commission that local trains composed of hopper-wagons (capacity: 22 tons each), property of the Solvay Company, be used for the purpose. On this way a regular supply of lignite to the plant could be assured and a corresponding number of railway-cars could be spared by you for other purposes.

3. It is understood from you that this suggestion is favourably considered by the M.R.S.. However it is emphasized that urgent action in this matter is highly desired as this particular transportation problem is at present the only factor preventing the Solvay plant starting operation.

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Copy to:-

Economic Section

W. J. MASHREY
 Lt. Colonel
 Deputy Director,
 Industry Sub-Commission

agreed 2/5/45
to be discussed
2/5/45
2/5/45
2/5/45

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Commerce Sub-Commission
Coal Division

PRE/jv

30 April 1945.

Tel: 478489
489081 Ext. 303

Ref: AC/CD/120/ Commerce

Subject : Lignite Mine 'Baccinello'

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission.

1. Reference your 331/24/Tn/3.

2. It is regretted that no additional tonnage can be accepted on line 50. It is not possible to reduce in any way the despatches from Ribolla because of the superior quality of the fuel and the great demand for it. The decision therefore means that the restarting of the Baccinello Mine producing the same quality cannot be undertaken until the capacity of line 50 is increased.



P.R. EVANS
Colonel
Coal Division

Copy to: Industry Sub-Commission.

Major Dull / Please Advise
Capt. Chigis

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✓ Copy to Industry Sub-Commission
that Baccinello Mine
can be used

✓ Leads Branch
advised of decision

APR 30 1945

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

FILE

28 April 1945

Ref: 1278764

331/24/Tn 3

SUBJECT: Lignite Mines Baccinello

TO: Industry Sub-Commission

1. Reference your AC/5605/Int of 13 April '45.
2. Owing to the withdrawal of road transport for higher priority work, it is not at present possible to furnish the necessary vehicles to carry out the movement from the mines to Grosseto station as requested in para 3 of your letter.
3. So far as onward movement by rail from Grosseto to Rosignano is concerned, no additional tonnage can be accepted on line 50 which is regularly booked up to capacity. If, however, agreement can be reached with Coal Division whereby the combined tonnages from Ribolla and Baccinello mines do not exceed present bids for north-bound movement, further consideration will be given to question of provision of M.T. on a reduced scale for the movement from Baccinello Mines to Grosseto Railhead.
4. It will, of course, be necessary for you to make satisfactory arrangements for labour at Railhead.

For the Director

C.R. Forthinton
C.R. FORTHINTON
Major

Copy to: Economic Section
Coal Division
Rail Division (Tn 3)
Roads Branch

See Lolo 24

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, AC.
(RAIL DIVISION)
C/o Transportation Increment
C.M.F.

331/23

Ref: 843238
Ref: AC/155/Tn 4

27 April 1945

SUBJECT : Solway Plant Resignane.

TO : D.M.R.S.I. - Bldg.

1. The Solway plant requires approximately 200 tons of coal per day to move from Guincaice to Resignane.
2. This tonnage has not been moving as fast as required and it is desired that the Solway plant handle the coal with their own hopper cars and the I.S.R. locos and crews that are assigned to them for the Movement of rock.
3. It would mean that the crews serving the Solway plant would make a trip to Guincaice about three times per week, taking a cut of empty hoppers down and returning with a cut of loaded cars.
4. The operation would relieve other main line trains of this work and your approval of the plan is solicited.

For the Chief Commissioner:

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P.G. MATSON, Major T.C.

Copy to: Movements Rail TM. S/C.

Incl. by hand been
Chf of action being
taken 1/2/45
P.G.M.

GDS/mdp

HEADQUARTERS ARMED COMMISSION
APO 334
Inter Office Memo

AC/653/72/Tn 2

20 April 1945

SUBJECT : Coal Service Bombino to Vada.

FROM : Chief Movements Division.

TO : Ports & Warehouse Division,
Transportation Sub-Comm.

1. Receipt is acknowledged of your letter AC/17/3/Tn 6 dated 10 April 1945 together with enclosures.

2. The scheme suggested by the Compagnia Marittima for supplying coal to the Solway Company at Vada should be given every encouragement in view of the present wagon shortage. Please arrange to proceed with this scheme as early as possible, and advise this Section in due course expected date that this service can be put into operation.

G. D. Godfrey
G. D. GODFREY,
Major I. R.

Copy to : Shipping Sub-Commission.
Rail Section.

23/4

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INTER-OFFICE MINUTES

Ref: AC/155/Tn 4

SUBJECT : ~~Sto~~ S. Vincenzo - Resignano.

331/20

TO : Movements Division (Rail)
Transp. S/C

1. Reference your File 331/14/Tn 3 of 11 April.
2. There are now two 740 type locos belonging to the I.S.R. at the Resignano plant and these could handle any line haul between S. Vincenzo and Resignano.
3. One switching locomotive belonging to the solvay works is sufficient for ordinary plant switching purposes, but the main line locos could also be used for switching at times as their entire time would not be necessary for the movement of the main line tonnage.
4. There is no assurance that the loco position will remain as stated above because M.R.S. at present are making many changes in the reassignment of power.

J. J. J. J.
Chief,
Rail Division

Transp. Sub-Commission (Rail Div.)
20 April 1945
Tel. 843238

*Major Dutton**Please speak*

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*We figure in the matter
when it is 2F40*

CRW/elc

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Tel : 478704

19 April 1945

331/19/Tn 3

SUBJECT : Solvay Plant, Resignano
Removal of Rail Wagons - Property of the Solvay Co.

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission,
Rail Division

1. Reference conversation (Ping-Worthington) of 17 April '45 regarding withdrawal of Private owners' wagons from the Solvay Plant and to Movement Division - Rail letter of 11 April on the subject.
2. The attached copy of correspondence received from Industry Sub-Commission on the requisitioning of property owned by the Solvay Coy is forwarded for your information.

For Chief, Movements Division



J.W. BAKER, Lt.Colonel
Movements Division, Rail

Copy to : Planning Section

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
INDUSTRY SUB-COMMISSION

331/12

Tel. 478090

RSO/djw

Ref. AC/5605/IND

17 April 1945

CRS
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SUBJECT: Solvay Plant, Rosignano
Removal of Rail Wagons - Property of the Solvay Co.

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission, Movement Div., Rail Br.
(Attn: Maj. Worthington)

1. Reference is made to your letter 331/14/Tn 3 dated 11 April 1945, subject: Stone - S. Vincenzo to Rosignano, and conversation Maj. Worthington/Dr. Opatowski on 17 April.
2. For your information enclosed copies of two letters, concerning instructions issued by Lieut. General McNarney, C. G. MTOUSA, with regard to the Solvay plant in Rosignano.
3. It is requested that interested Railway Services be informed by you that no rail waggons which are the private property of the company be removed from the Solvay plant at Rosignano without prior approval of Industry Sub-Commission.

W. J. Maskrey
W. J. MASKREY
Lieut. Colonel
Deputy Director
Industry Sub-Commission

Incl:
As per para 2 above

Copy to:
Economic Section

File 14 + 17 Ref

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[Signature]

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C O P Y

ENGINEER SERVICE
PENINSULAR BASE SECTION

AFO 782

HAC/ss

18 January 1945

SUBJECT : Requisitioning of Property.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

1. On instructions from the Commanding General, MTOUSA, the property of the Solvay Company in Rosignano, is not to be requisitioned.

2. If occupation of the premises is an operational necessity, and you so advise this Headquarters, an effort will be made to obtain approval from the Allied Commission for such occupancy, as prescribed by the Commanding General, MTOUSA.

For the Engineer Officer :

Signed: HARRY A. CRITTICK,
Captain, Infantry,
Real Estate Officer.

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copyALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
C.A.O. Office303/CAO

TO : Chief Commissioner, A.C.

SUBJECT : Soda Solvay Works - Rosignano.

Ref AC/3005/IND of 29 Dec. 44.

1. Reference is made to your letter above reference number and subject, dated 29 Dec. 44.
2. A letter has been written to CG PBS by CG MTOUSA explaining the importance of the Soda Solvay Works, directing that the plant, including the quarry, shall not be requisitioned, and suggesting the possibility of assistance to Penbase by the Solvay Company by contract. Any such contracts would be subject to AC concurrence prior to implementation.

11 Jan. 45

ALL/emb/s/ A.L. Hamblen
/T/ A.L. HAMBLIN
Brigadier General
A/CAO
for the CAO.

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Declassified E.O. 12356 Section 3.3/NND No. 785021

331/17

REGIONAL COMMISSIONER TORGAN REGION

5439

15 APRIL 45

PRIORITY

RESTRICTED PD

PARA ONE PD INDUSTRY SUB COMMISSION STATE THREE ZERO ZERO ZERO TONS
 LIGHTS AT BACCINELLO MINE PARKS MAP REFERENCE NAST SEVEN NINE SIX
 NINE PARKS TO BE MOVED BY ROAD TRUCK TO GROGGIO STATION FOR RAIL
 TPT TO BOSSIGNANO AT THIS THREE ZERO ZERO PARKS PD

PARKS TO REGIONAL COMMISSIONER TORGAN REGION FOR ACTION THIS HQ
ALONG CITE ACTPT PARKS

PARA TWO SIGNAL URGENTLY THIS HEADQUARTERS PARKS ABLE PARKS
 CONFIRMATION TONNAGE AVAILABLE PARKS BAKES PARKS CONDITION OF ROAD
 GROGGIO TO MINE AND DISTANCE PARKS CHAIRS PARKS TONNAGE YOU CAN
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NICHOLAS FICCHINO
 CWO U.S.A.
 Asst. Adjutant

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission
(Movements Division - Rail)

File

Tel : 478704

11 April 1945

331/14/Tn 3

SUBJECT : Stone - S.Vincenzo to Rosignano

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission,
Rail Division

1. Reference your AC/155/Tn 4 dated 10 April '45.
2. Attached copy of letter received from Capt. Dean AC Transportation Officer, Rome is forwarded for your information.
3. Industry Sub-Commission confirms that the daily tonnage of stone to be moved from S.Vincenzo to Rosignano will be approx 500 tons, this being the amount of raw material required to produce the maximum finished article. In the circumstance no information is immediately available regarding the number of Hoppers that can be released, but a report will be furnished by Industry Sub-Commission following a visit to the works by Dr. Apatowski early next week.
4. The question of line capacity for this movement will undoubtedly be raised by G-4 (Mov & Tn). Please state, therefore, whether the engines now allocated to these works could carry out this movement, the tonnage to be considered additional to the normal line capacity.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE

M.B. Thomas
M.B. THOMAS, Colonel
Deputy Director
Transportation Sub-Commission

Copy to : Industry Sub-Commission
AC Transportation Officer, Rome
AC Transportation Officer, Florence

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, AC
(RAIL DIVISION)
c/o Transportation Increment
C.M.F.

10 April 1945

Tel. 843238
Ref. AG/155/Tn 4

TO : Movements Rail^{Tr} Sub-Commission, HQ AC

SUBJECT : 40 tons Hopper Cars Rossignano.

1. There are 47-40 ton hoppers at Rossignano.
2. How many of these hoppers will be required to handle the anticipated traffic of the plant.
3. MRS is urgently in need of some of the hoppers for handling Ballast and it is desired to know how many can be spared.


P.G. MATSON, Major T.C.

Copy to: DMRT (Major London) Bldg.

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Major Wm. J. ...
Quarantine ...
along ...

Transportation Officer
ROME DIVISION

Heavy ...

331/13

Date 10 April 1945
Reference Tsc/RD/4

Subject. STONE - S. Vincenzo to Rosignano
Transportation Sub/Comm. (Mov)
H.Q., A.C.

Application has been made by the Station Master at S. Vincenzo for permission to arrange transport of stone from his station to the Solvay plant at Rosignano, using the private wagons of that Company.

No mention has been made as to the tonnage involved, but on enquiry of Dr. Opatowski of the Industry Sub. Comm. I gather that they require to move 500 (five hundred) tons per day, until such times as they have built up their reserve. He also mentions that they have their own engine, and in addition the loan of 2 I.S.R. locos.

In view of the tonnage involved over line 50 please advise me as to what arrangements should be made for dealing with this traffic.

E. W. Dean
Capt.
Transportation Officer, Rome



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INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Transportation Sub-Commission
(Movements Division - Rail)

Tel : 478704

9 March 1945

331/11/Tn 3

SUBJECT : Solway Plant, Rosignano
Repairs to the Vada Bridge

TO : Industry Sub-Commission

1. Reference your AC/5605/IND dated 3 March 1945.
2. Owing to changes in Military priorities for rail reconstruction, delivery of the bracing for the Vada Bridge from MRS resources was delayed. However, the bracing is being railed to the site on 12 March. The bridge will be completed not later than 30 March '45 but every effort is being made to finish the work before this date.

*Implied*for MERRITT H. TAYLOR
Director, Transportation Sub-CommissionCopy to : Transportation Sub-Commission -
Rail Division

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Tel. 478090

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3 March 1945

Ref. AC/5605/IND

SUBJECT: Solvay Plant - Rosignano.
Repair to the Vada bridge.

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission
(Attn.: Col. Sieff)
(" Maj. Worthington)

FROM : Industry Sub-Commission

1. Reference is made to your letter 331/7/Tn.3, dated 25 February 1945.

2. With regard to the Vada bridge, while difficulties in re-building of even a 30-meters span are fully realized, it must be pointed out as follows:

- a) the complex repairs to the Solvay plant, carried out under control of Industry Sub-Commission, have been completed and the plant has been in working order since 10 February 1945.
- b) in accordance with agreements between Industry Sub-Commission and Transportation Sub-Commission every effort was made by this Sub-Commission to assist you, particularly by supplying the Italian State Railways with the following materials:

Cement	200 tons
Bricks	No. 400.000
Petrol	6000 litres
Lubricants	400 Eggs.

(This is the total of materials requested by the Italian State Railways for the repairs to the lines of Vada-Rosignano and Piombino-Campiglia).

- c) owing to lack of assistance to the It.St. Railways for the transfer of the above materials, this Sub-Commission was compelled to deal with many transportation problems as

follows:

Bid for transportation of the cement from Colleferro to Vada and S. Vincenzo (Leghorn Prov.);

Make local arrangements at Colleferro station in order to obviate delays which had arisen in despatching the cement;

Make arrangements for the storage of the cement at San Vincenzo and Vada;

Arrange the transfer of the petrol from Leghorn to Campiglia;

Make arrangements with the military at Campiglia station in order to facilitate the transfer of bricks from Solvay-Rosignano to Campiglia.

- d) on instruction of this Sub-Commission the Solvay Co. gave assistance to you by lending approximately 200.000 bricks, supplying labour for the Vada-Rosignano line as well as local transport etc.

4. It was anticipated that following assistance by this Sub-Commission the Vada-Rosignano line would be opened in a reasonable period of time. It is realized perfectly that unexpected delays arose in repairing the old bridge (i.e. difficulties in movement of materials and civilian technical personnel from Lucca to Vada; flooding of the river and twisting of the bridge etc.) Consequently after the survey of the Rosignano plant made by Dr. Opatowski from 3 to 10 January, a provisional solution was suggested to your Sub-Commission (conversations Dr. Opatowski-Maj. Street and Ing. Lo Cigno of Italian State Railways from 15 to 20 January refer).

5. The solution decided by you, to obtain release of a military span certainly appeared the simplest, provided there was a sound basis for anticipating that the bridge was available. This decision excluded in the meantime any other provisional arrangement and considerably slowed down the repairs then in course to the old bridge, which according to the Engineers of the Italian State Railways should have been used as a support in reassembling of the military span.

6. Unfortunately 5 weeks have been wasted without result. This Sub-Commission was firstly informed that delivery of the military span would take place on 1 February 1945 (letter

Transportation Sub-Commission - Maj. Street - to It. State Railway) this date was postponed from time to time to the 12, the 20 and 28 February. At present (see your letter under reference) it is expected by you to have the line opened by approximately 15 March.

7. In view of the vital importance of caustic soda and sodium carbonate production (see enclosed copy letter of AMHQ G-5 Section) the present uncertainty with regard to the Vada bridge is not satisfactory. Your firm statement as to the date of delivery of the military bridge span would therefore be greatly appreciated.

1 Incl.
Ltr. ref. C-54 dtd
19 Jan. 45


W.S. VAUGHAN
Director,
Industry Sub-Commission.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 312

19 January 1945

Ref. C-54

SUBJECT: Solvay Soda Works, Rosignano

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394
(Attn: Economic Section)

1. It is desired to bring to your attention the fact that letter AG/5509/IND of 29 December was favourably considered by this H.Q. and that P.B.S. have been instructed not to requisition the Solvay Soda Works at Rosignano. See H.Q. MIOUSA 1st Ind. to P.B.S. dated 9 January, reference AG 004/035 PWOR - C, copy to you.

2. As indicated by the a/q endorsement, it is considered of vital importance that energetic action be taken to ensure the plant is put into production at an early date.

3. It is requested that this Section be kept informed of the status of reactivation.

For the Acting Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

J.E. BUTTERWORTH
Colonel, G.S.C.
Chief, Economics & Supply Div.

Copy to: G-4

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AHS/efHEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB -COMMISSION
(Railway Division)

33/8

U R G E N T

28th February 45

Tel : 843239

Our reference: AC/Tn/9/29/C.E.

TO : A.C. Movements (Rail)

SUBJECT : Line 50. Vada-Rosignano.
Fine river Bridge.

1. I have just been informed by the Engineering section of the M.R.S. that due to a change in priorities it will not be possible to supply the bracing for above bridge, before the 12th of March, consequently it will be impossible to complete the work before the 20th March.

O.H. Lindberg
O.H. LINDBERG,
Lieut-Colonel,
Tn-Sub.Comm.A.C.

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Chaired Vada-Rosignano 8/3

Mr. Spence
Spence
Rosignano 12 May
Not before 20 March means
not later than 30 Mar.

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INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission
(Movements Division - Rail)

25 February 1945

Ref: 478704

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SUBJECT: Solway Plant - Requisition

TO: Industry Sub-Commission

1. Reference your AM/5605/IND dated 25 Nov. '44.
2. Certain spares necessary for the creation of the new Vada bridge are still in course of construction by IMB. The urgency for completion of this bridge is fully realized and IMB have given instructions to speed up the work.
3. It is expected that the bridge will be completed and the line open in the course of the next three weeks.

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for
HERBERT H. TAYLOR
Director, Transportation Sub-Commission

Copies to: Regional Commissioner - Toscana Region
Rail Division

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25 February 1955

TEL : 478704

331/7/23 3

SUBJECT : Solway Plant - Kozigano

TO : Industry Sub-Commission

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for
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Director, Transportation Sub-Commission

Copies to : Regional Commissioner - Toscana Region
Rail Division

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To: Lt. Col. [illegible]
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MOVEMENT OF COAL FROM LEHORN TO ROSIGNANO.

1. A request has been received for the movement of 8000 tons of coal per month from LEHORN to ROSIGNANO, for use in the SOLVAY SODA WORKS. Movement to begin in February 1945.

2. METHOD OF MOVEMENT.

During February coal would be sailed to ROSIGNANO Station - hauled by road from the station to the Sida Works. From 1 March it will be possible to sail direct to the Works.

3. The road haul would require 16 X 3 ton trucks working on 12 hr. shifts or 8 X 3 ton trucks working on 24 hr. shifts.

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*Industries Sub-Commission (Office of Dr. Opalkowski, H/5030)
advised we can move additional 8000 tons railhead
Highway/Railway. provided we are given few days
notice
JHR*

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COKE

From report at Flags 'B' and 'C' it will be seen that Coke is also required for the operation of the plant. Stocks now held are sufficient for 6 weeks. Requirements from 1 March will be 1500 tons per month, but NO road transport is called for as by that time deliveries by rail will be possible direct to the plant.

7. Trucks to meet requirements shown in para 3 above, could be made available by 1 Truck Br.

8. Personnel for unloading trains will be found from staff at the plant. It is estimated that 100 men daily should be asked for in order to ensure that neither trains nor trucks should be delayed.

9. Co-ordinated with Industry Sub-Commission.

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, A.C.
(RAIL SECTION)
C/o. Transportation Increment,
C.M.E.

94/5

Tel/ 843239 12th January 1945
Our reference : AC/Tn/9/11/C.E.

TO : The Director
Transportation Sub-Commission.
SUBJECT : Solway Plant Rosignano.

1. Reference your letter AC/TN/94/3/RM of 2nd January.
2. The completion dates for above works are expected to be as follows:
 - a) Piombino Port to Campiglia 15th February 1945.

Delay has been caused to this work due to lack of transportation and delay in obtaining release of cement.

- b) Vado - Rosignano 30th February 1945.

This work has been seriously delayed due to severe flooding causing extra damage to the old steel span, which is been hoped to be able to use. New arrangements have been made and the work is progressing.


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Lieut-Colonel,
Tn. Sub-Comm. A.C.



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Tn. Sub-Comm. A.C.



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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

3 January 1945

Tels : 478734

AC Tn/34/1/PM

SUBJECT : Piombino Port.TO : Rail Section, Tn. Sub-Commission

1. the re-opening of Piombino Port for discharge of general cargo is under investigation.

Extract of Navy Sub-Commission letter MAC/1325 dated 14 Dec. reads as follows :-

"The Port of Piombino has one berth which by using ships' gear for unloading, and motor vehicles for transport of supplies, could immediately be used by a Liberty ship. In addition, there is docking space which is capable of handling simultaneously, several coastal schooners. Both the Liberty berth and the schooner berth have been served by a rail spur in the past. The I.L.V.A. Company, whose now damaged steel plant was served both by the docks and the rail line, is sponsoring limited efforts to place the rail line in operation and to join it to the main north-south railroad line. From local representatives of the Company, it was determined that the I.L.V.A. Company hopes to have the line in operating condition by the end of January, 1945. It is not known whether the I.L.V.A. Company is being assisted in its rehabilitation efforts by an AC/ANG office or whether its activity is entirely the result of its own initiative. In any event, it appears that the rail line could be made operational in a shorter time if Allied assistance were given to the Company."

2. This Office letter AC Tn/94/3/PM dated 2 Jan. '45 - subject Solway Plant, Rosignano - asked for early advice of expected completion date for re-opening of the line Piombino Port to Campiglia.

3. Please say whether the re-opening of the line Piombino Port to Campiglia will automatically provide rail service to Liberty and Schooner berths. If not, how much additional work would be necessary and how long for completion? How many wagons could be placed for simultaneous loading on Liberty and Schooner berths?

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TO : Rail Section, TN. Sub-Commission

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[Signature]
for
MR. H. H. TAYLOR
DIRECTOR

Copy to : file AC TN/94/EM
" AC TN/S/1

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFC 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

File

2 January 1945

Tele : 478701

AC Tn/94/3/RM

SUBJECT : Solway Plant Rosignano.

Rail Section

TO : Tn. Sub-Commission AC. (Attention Lt.Col. Lindberg)

1. In connection with the re-opening of above mentioned plant it is understood I.S.R. have in hand repairs to Railway

- (a) Piombino Port to Campiglia and
- (b) Vada to Rosignano.

2. Please give early advice to this Office of expected completion dates.

M. Taylor

Lt. Col.

for
MERRITT H. TAYLOR
DIRECTOR

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SUBJ: Solvay Plant at ROSENBERG.

H.Q. 15 Army Group.
Phone: MILLOT 246

To: Hq Allied Commission
(for attention Director of Tn. Sub-Commission) 20 Dec 44

Copy to: PBS (for attention Transportation)

" " AMHQ G-4 (Mov & Tn)

" " Tn (A)

1. Further to my Mov 3/202 of 23 Nov.

2. The B.M.R.S. states that as far as can be seen there will be a sufficient supply of wagons to meet the transportation requirements of the Solvay Plant.

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M. Pithman Maj
for Brig.
DHC(M) 4850

MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMISSION
 410 394
 Transportation Sub-Commission

Tele : 475701

AC 12/24/1

SUBJECT : Solvay Plant at Rockingham

TO : DIRECTOR (M)
 Mr. AAL

15 December 1944

1. Reference your Nov 3/202 of 23 Nov. I am now advised that the figure of 500 Tm of solid fuel (coal) through Leghorn will now average 320 tons per day.
2. We have not been consulted but as they have had a copy of your a/m letter will you please say if they have submitted comments.
3. Will you please note that, reference phone enquiry from Capt. London, Rome, of the 400 tons "finished products" cars will be required as follows :-
 200 tons per day (caustic soda) can go in "opens" as this is packed in metal drums.
 200 tons per day (sodium carbonate) must go in covered box cars.

Lt. Col.

for

MR. L. H. TAYLOR
 DIRECTOR

Copy to: MR. POME

FBS (for attention Transportation)

G-4 Nov. & Tn. AFH.

TCAG

Tn (4)

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Tel. 478090

RSO/hh

Ref.: AC/5605/IND

5 December 1944

SUBJECT : Soda Solvay Works - RosignanoTO : Transportation Sub-Commission
(Attention: Capt. Dean)

FROM : Industry Sub-Commission

1. Reference is made to your letter
AC TN/I55/I7/RM dated 1 Dec. 44.

2. Please note that our letter
AC/5605/IND dated 30 Sept. referred to 500 tons
solid fuel per day.

3. Present programmes are reduced and
refer to 9500 tons per month (an average of
320 tons per day).

4. The port of Leghorn is still taken
into consideration for imports of the above
quantity of coal to begin on 15 January 45.

Copy to:-
Economic Section


W. S. VAUGHAN
Director,
Industry Sub-Commission

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155/17HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

1 December 1944

Tel : 478701

AC TN/155/17/RM

SUBJECT : Soda Solvay Works, Rosignano.

TO : Industry Sub-Commission.

1. Reference your letter ACC/5605/IND dated 30 Sept. you refer in para 3(a) to 500 tons of solid fuel for rail transport from Leghorn to Rosignano.

2. Please state whether this fuel is being imported through the Port of Leghorn.

E. S. Dean
Captain

for

D. S. ADAMS
Colonel C.E.,
Director Tptn.S.C.

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C O P Y

Tel. 478090

Ref. AC/5605/IND

25 November 1944

SUBJECT : Reactivation of the Rosignano plant:
repairs of the railroad Piombino-
Stazione di Campiglia.

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission.
(Attn.: Lt.Col. Lindberg -
Maj. Street)

FROM : Industry Sub-Commission.

I. Pursuant to our conversation it is confirmed that the port of Piombino is designated by this Sub-Commission to receive coal supplies for the Solway Rosignano plant (8,000 tons/month Sardinian coal; 1500 tons/month metallurgical coke)

2. Information supplied by the Solway Co. states that the railroad Piombino-Campiglia Stazione (about 14 Kms.) and several bridges on the above route are damaged.

3. The reactivation of the Solway plant is strongly recommended by AFHQ G-5 Section for the following reasons:

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It is therefore requested that repairs to the above railroad commence at the earliest possible date.

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W.S. VAUGHAN
Director,
Industry Sub-Commission

Copy to : Economic Section

155/15/

SUBJECT:- Solvay Plant at ROSIGNANO.

Headquarters,
Allied Armies in Italy.
Phone - FILFO 241
MOV 3/202

To:- H.Q.

Allied Commission. (For attention
Director of Tn. Sub Commission).

23 Nov 44.

Copy to:- D.M.R.S.

P.B.S. (For attention Transportation)

G-4 Mov & Tn, AFHQ.

D.C.A.O.

TH(A)

1. Ref your AC TH/155/14 of 18 Nov (not to other addressees).

2. Assuming that operation of the plant will not start before 7 Jan, it is anticipated that the line capacity will admit of the following tonnages being handled:-

LEGHORN to ROSIGNANO	500 tpd	Solid fuel
SAN VINCENZO to ROSIGNANO	1000 tpd	Lime stone
ROSIGNANO to various stations in the south	400 tpd	Finished products (Subject to AFHQ agreement south of ROME).

3. Assuming that 36 special lime stone rail cars are sufficient to handle 1000 tons daily, it is thought that the M.R.S. will be able to supply sufficient wagons, since the P.B.S. demands in the FIORENTINO area will, by then, have been cleared. Will D.M.R.S. please say whether he agrees.

4. Is the 500 tpd of solid fuel being imported through LEGHORN? And is it intended to rail this direct from quay? Have P.B.S. been consulted?

Ph. U. S. Hellos 4845

Brigadier
for Major-General
Chief Administrative Officer.

BWB/gfh 155/44

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFO 394
Transportation Sub Commission

18 November 1944

Tele : 478701

AC Tn/155/14

SUBJECT : Solvay Plant at Rosignano.

TO : D.G.M.G.(M)
HQ., AAI.

1. It is anticipated that the above works will resume production early in the new year. The ISR have in hand the repairs of the rail line Vado-Rosignano.

2. In their works the company have 36 special limestone railcars which are normally sufficient to handle their limestone traffic.

3. Following daily movements by rail are anticipated soon after the plant is opened :-

Leghorn to Rosignano	-	500 tons Solid Fuel
S.Vincenzo to Rosignano	-	1000 tons Limestone
Rosignano to Various Stations		
South	-	400 tons Finished Products *

4. I appreciate you may have difficulty in saying now if there is likelihood of acceptance of these heavy tonnages. They will of course, be bid for in advance in the normal way. Some guidance from you now as to the tonnage you are likely to be able to accept will, however, be very helpful. I will appreciate your early news.

* 200 tons
Caustic Soda
200 tons
Sodium
Carbonate
(Soda Ash)

Lt. Col.

D.S. ADAMS,
Colonel, C.E.,
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Closed cars

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