

ACC AC10 10000/140/1844 VENICE

SUBJECT: Repairs in N.E. Italy.

Military Railway Service,
C.M.F.

TO : R.C.E. 1.

Tel: Firebox 9351.
outside line 843476.
Ref: Tn.A.4/212.

Copy to: D.D.Tn. Eighth Army.
A.C. Tn. SUB-COMM.(Rail).

7th July 1945.

Venice Feb

1. Reference your RCE1/165/86 dated 29 June 1945, para. number 5.
2. You should concern yourself only with work which is a military necessity. The decision as to what constitutes a military necessity lies:-
 - a) for the safety of the lines, with yourself.
 - B) for the facilities required for the proper operations of the lines, with D.D.Tn. 8 Army. (Col. Earley).
3. You should not instigate or assist contracts for any other work above that detailed in para 2. Work of Non-Military importance must be handled by A.C. or A.M.G. as the case may be.

(A.W. McMurdo) Lt.Col. R.E.
for Brigadier.
Director Military Railway Service.

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STEEL
COL
MIESTRE*

Subject : Alva steel Works - Mestre

Tn Eighth Army
c/o H.Q. transportation
Venice.
Phone 20323 Ext: 83
Tn 8/4/1/136
1 st July 1945;

Tn Main (for Tn.4.)

1. The following information in regard to the above works is forwarded for your information.
2. The I.S.R., Venice Compartimento is extremely interested in this firm; they, the I.S.R. have in mind the fabrication of the steel work for the permanent works which have been left for them to carry out by themselves. On the other hand this firm could perhaps be used and directed more beneficially if its potential was equated to an all Italy programme rather than a N.E. Italy one.
3. The following works, made to contracts placed by the I.S.R. are now completed:
 - (a) Adige river (Near Rovigno) appx weight 500 tons(draiding encls
 - (b) Termoli bridge (Sicily) appx weight 300 tons.
 - (c) Two train ferry landing stages for Messina and Reggio.In addition the firm has available some 3,000 tons of steel and are in a position to accept further contracts. No contracts other than those mentioned above have been let to the firm but they have received enquiries from the I.S.R. regarding the reconstruction of the Ostiglia bridge over the river PO.
4. At present all materials are "frozen" by order of AMG Mes XII; this is merely to safeguard the resources of the firm and AMG are more than anxious that the firm recommences its former activities and in particular on behalf of the I.S.R.
5. Perhaps you will cause some directive to be given to this firm in regard to work on military account or on projects sponsored by the I.S.R. and or AG.
At present piecemeal contact is made by various Tn. units which does not seem to be the correct way of dealing with this important firm.

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(SGD) A.M. EARLEY, Colonel.
D.D. Tn. 8 Army.

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