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ARMY AIR FORCE ENGINEER COMMAND, MTO, (PROV)
APO 528

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* 27 Apr. 44 *

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27 April, 1944.

SUBJECT: Transmittal Weekly Progress Reports.

TO : Commanding General, Allied Control Commission, APO 777,
U.S. Army.
ATTENTION: Chief Engineer.

Attached hereto are Weekly Progress Reports for the 697th and
704th Engineer Petroleum Distribution Companies, from 9 April to 15 April,
1944, inclusive, for your information.

For the Commanding Officer:

HEADQUARTERS

- 6 MAR 1944

E. A. Barnes
E. A. BARNES,
Lt Col, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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- (1) Weekly Progress Report for the 697th Engrs.
- (2) Weekly Progress Report for the 704th Engrs.

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HEADQUARTERS 697th ENGINEER
PETROLEUM DISTRIBUTION CO. (SEP)

17 April, 1944.

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, Army Air Force Engineer Command, HTO,
(PROV), APO 528, U.S. Army.
ATTENTION: Petroleum Section.

The following is a summary of progress for the period, 9 April, 1944, to 15 April, 1944, inclusive.

PIPE STRING:

8,000 feet 4" pipe string this week on Manfredonia Tank Farm line which runs from docks, Manfredonia to Tank Farm, stringing complete.

PIPE COUPLED:

8,000 feet 4" pipe coupled on dock line (Above), coupling completed.

TANK CONSTR:

Hauled gravel for tank foundation; leveled, ready for steel. 5,000 barrel tank located at Torretta L/G.

PIPS SET:

Set one Pup pump on 4" Tank Farm to Dock Line, reset one Pup pump on 4" Tank Farm Line.
Set one Pup pump on 6" Tank Farm to Dock Line, reset one Pup pump on 6" Tank Farm Line.

TESTING:

Tested and repaired Foggia - Manfredonia 4" line #3, between PS #2 to PS #3. Testing complete.
Tested and repaired Tank Farm to Manfredonia Docks, 4" line constructed this week. Testing completed.

ROAD CROSS'G:

Dressed line and dug 7 road crossings to complete crossings on Tank Farm to Manfredonia Dock 4" line.

CONNECTING:

Connected 4" Dock Line into Tank Farm installations.
Installed two headers and completed connections.

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HAULING:

Continued hauling 4" pipe from Cerignola siding to Cerignola depot, sorting and repairing same.

SPLINTER WALL:

2,000 barrel tank located 3 miles north of Foggia on the San Severo road; constructed footer for wall consisting of pouring cement and completed same, laid 3,330 stone blocks of splinter wall.

10,000 barrel tank (# 2) located at Cerignola; constructed footer for wall consisting of pouring cement and completing same, laid 7,170 stone of splinter wall.

10,000 barrel tank located at Foggia Main L/O; excavation for footer of splinter wall 80% complete, poured 75% of cement to construct footer. Continued hauling material for construction to tank site.

LABOR USED:

Mainline Constr: U.S. Engrs 2 - 0 & 53 EN - Daily average.

Splinter wall : U.S. Engrs 1 - 0 & 14 EN - 75 Civilians daily aver.

VEHICLES USED:

Mainline Constr: 3 - 6x6 Cargo, 1 - w/carriers and 2 jeeps.

Splinter wall : 7 - 6x6 Cargo, and 1 - jeep

Equipment Used:

Mainline Constr: 1 - Air Compressor, 1 - Acetylene Welding unit,
1 - Electric Welding unit.

Splinter wall : Small hand tools.

/s/ CARL W. BILLS,
/t/ CARL W. BILLS,
Captain, C.E.,
Commanding.

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HEADQUARTERS
704 ENGINEER PETROLEUM DISTRIBUTION COMPANY
APO 700

15 April, 1944.

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report.

TO : Commanding Officer, Army Air Force Engineer Command, APO,
(PERS), APO 528, U.S. ARMY.1. Report of construction done by 704th Engineer Petroleum
Distribution Company from, 9 April 1944, to 15 April 1944, inclusive.

- a. Brindisi 1st branch complete, except:
 1. 5,000 barrel storage tank - 95% complete.
 2. Loading rack - 70% complete.
- b. San Pancrazio airdrome - excavating and re-setting on
foundation above ground of 300 barrel tank - 60% complete
- c. Il Pizzone ship discharging line - complete.
- d. Il Pizzone ship discharging key - 70% complete.
- e. Road construction along entire system - 50% complete
- f. Daily average of personnel and equipment used for construction.
 1. Personnel
 - a. 100 EM
 - b. 100 Italian soldiers
 2. Equipment
 - a. Seven 2 1/2 ton cargo trucks
 - b. Three 2 1/2 ton oilfield trucks
 - c. Two air compressors
 - d. One 4 ton cargo truck with 8 ton trailer
 - e. One 8 - 1/2 tractor
 - f. Three welding machines

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2. Daily average of personnel and equipment used for operation and maintenance.

a. Personnel

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b. Equipment

1. Four 2 1/2 ton cargo trucks

2. Three 2 1/2 ton oilfield trucks

3. Three jeepney cabs.

/s/ JAMES F. BRADY,
/s/ JAMES F. BRADY,
Captain, U.S.,
Commanding.

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HEADQUARTERS
 ARMY AIR FORCE ENGINEER COMMAND, MTO, (PROV)
 APO 528

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13 April, 1944.

SUBJECT: Transmittal Weekly Progress Reports.

TO : Commanding General, Allied Control Commission, APO 777,
 U.S. Army, ATTENTION: Chief Engineer.

Attached hereto are Weekly Progress Reports for the 697th and
 704th Engineer Petroleum Distribution Companies, from 2 April to 8 April,
 1944, inclusive, for your information.

For the Commanding Officer:

E. A. Barnes
 E. A. BARNES,
 Lt Col, AGC,
 Adjutant General.

2 incls:

- (1) Weekly Progress Report for 697th Engrs.
- (2) Weekly Progress Report for 704th Engrs.

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HEADQUARTERS 697th ENGINEER
PETROLEUM DISTRIBUTION CO (SEP)
APO 164

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AUTH: CG, AFMPC/MTD
13 Apr. 44, *Cal*

9 April, 1944.

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Force Engineer Command, HGO,
(Prov), APO 525, U.S. Army.

1. The following is a summary of progress for the period
2 April 1944 to 8 April 1944 inclusive.

PIPE STRING:

3,060 feet 4" pipe strung this week on Foggia - Manfredonia
line (No. 3) which runs from Foggia 10,000 barrel No. 3 to
Manfredonia Tank Farm to complete stringing.

PIPE COUPLED:

10,520 feet 4" pipe coupled on Foggia - Manfredonia line
No. 3 (above) to complete coupling.

TANK CONSTR:

1,000 barrel tank (No. 2) located at Pisanella L/G;
laid deck during this report to complete tank. (Tank
constructed in 3 days)
10,000 barrel tank located near Venosa L/G; set second and
third ring, hung rafters, laid deck and made connections to
complete tank. (Tank constructed in 6 days).
1,000 barrel tank (No. 2) located at Tortorella L/G;
constructed foundation, graveled, laid bottom, set first
and second ring, laid deck and made connections to complete
tank. (Tank constructed in 3 days).
1,000 barrel tank (No. 2) located at Sterperano L/G;
constructed foundation, laid bottom, set first and second
rings, laid deck and made connections to complete tank.
(Tank constructed in 3 days).
5,000 barrel tank foundation and fire wall at Torretta L/G;
constructed and ready for gravel.

PUMPS SET :

Installed BDA pump at PS No. 2 on Foggia - Manfredonia
third line.

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MAINLINE:

Picked up 360 joints damaged pipe along Foggia - Manfredonia third line and hauled to depot.
 Hauled one load of rock to PS No. 2 (Manfredonia - Foggia third line) for pump station.
 Hauled damaged pipe from Grosvenor - Verona - Carignola line recently completed.

ROAD CROSSING:

Dressed line and dug 34 road crossings on Foggia - Manfredonia third line to complete road crossings on this line.

TESTING:

Tested and repaired remaining 5 miles Carignola - Verona line No. 2 (Water Test). Blew line with compressor, testing completed. Foggia - Manfredonia line No. 3; blew line from PS No. 1 to PS No. 2 with compressor, water tested and repaired leaks; blew line from PS No. 3 with compressor and started water testing.

COMPLETING:

Corrected storage tank at Manfredonia Tank Farm into Foggia - Manfredonia line No. 3.

SPLINTER WALL:

20,000 barrel tank (No. 2) located at Carignola; excavated foundation for splinter wall around tank.
 5,000 barrel tank located three miles north Foggia on San Severo road; excavated foundation for splinter wall around tank.
 Hauled material for construction, to tank sites.

TANKS USED:

Mainline Constr: US Engs 2 - 0 & 41 EM - Daily average
 Tank Constr : US Engs 1 - 0 & 31 EM - Daily average
 Splinter Wall : US Engs 1 - 0 & 7 EM - Civ. 20 Daily average.

VEHICLES USED:

Mainline Constr: 5 - Gas Cargo, 2 M/corriers & 2 - Jeeps.
 Tank Constr : 3 - Gas Cargo, & 1 - Jeep.
 Splinter Wall : 3 - Gas Cargo, & 1 - Jeep.

EQUIPMENT USED:

Mainline Constr: 1 - Air Compressor, 2 - acetylene Weld Units, 2 - Electric Welding Units.
 Tank Constr : 1 - D-4 Bulldozer, 1 - Air Compressor, small hand tools.

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CARL W. BILLS, 779
 Captain, C.E.,
 Commanding.

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 * 13 Apr. 44 *60B* *

HEADQUARTERS
 70th ENGINEER PETROLEUM DISTRIBUTION COMPANY
 APO 700

9 April, 1944.

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Force Engineer Command, APO,
 (Prov), APO 526, U.S. Army.

1. Report of construction done by the 70th Engineer Petroleum Distribution Company, from 2 April to 8 April 1944, inclusive.

- a. Brindisi 4th branch complete except;
 1. 5,000 bbl. storage tank - 80% complete.
 2. Road construction - 30% complete.
 3. Communication - 3 miles of insulated double wire strung on ground.
- b. San Pancrazio airbase - excavating and resetting on foundation above ground of 320 bbl. tank - 50% complete.
- c. Il Piazzone to Il Fronte ship discharging line addition.
 1. Stringing of pipe completed.
 2. 6,140 feet of pipe coupled (used all available victaulic couplings).
 3. 1,500 feet of ditching done.
- d. Il Piazzone lay - addition to floating lines and manifold for ship discharging - 75% complete.
- e. Daily average of personnel and equipment used for construction.
 1. Personnel
 - a. 100 EM
 - b. 100 Italian Soldiers
 2. Equipment
 - a. Seven 2 1/2 ton cargo trucks.
 - b. Three 2 1/2 ton oilfield trucks
 - c. Two air compressors.
 - d. One 4 ton cargo truck with 8 ton trailer.
 - e. One 4 to wrecker
 - f. One B-4 tractor
 - g. Three welding machines

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2. Daily average of personnel and equipment used for operation and maintenance.

a. Personnel

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b. Equipment

1. Four 2 1/2 ton cargo trucks

2. Three 2 1/2 ton oilfield trucks

3. Three weapons carriers

JEROME F. KRASSEL,
Captain, G.E.,
Commenting.

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HEADQUARTERS
ARMY AIR FORCE ENGINEER COMMAND, MTO, (PROV)
APO 528

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7 April, 1944.

SUBJECT: Transmittal Weekly Progress Reports.

TO : Commanding General, Allied Control Commission, APO 777,
U.S. Army. ATTENTION: Chief Engineer.

Attached hereto are Weekly Progress Reports for the 697th and
704th Engineer Petroleum Distribution Companies, from 26 March to 1 April,
1944, inclusive, for your information.

For the Commanding Officer:

E. A. Barnes
E. A. BARNES,
Lt Col, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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- (1) Weekly Progress Report for 697th Engrs.
- (2) Weekly Progress Report for 704th Engrs.

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HEADQUARTERS 697TH ENGINEER
 PETROLEUM DISTRIBUTION CO (SEP)
 APO 464 US ARMY

2 April 1944

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report.

TO : CO, AAFEC/WFO, ATT: Petroleum Section APO 526 US Army.

1. The following is a summary of progress for the period 26th March 1944 to 1 April 1944 inclusive.

PIPE STRING:

19,600 ft 4" pipe strung this week on Cerignola - Venosa line (No. 2) which runs fr Cerignola to 10,000 bbl tank near Venosa L.G. to complete stringing.
 98,600 ft 4" pipe strung this week on Foggia - Manfredonia line (No. 3) which runs from Foggia 10,000 bbl No. 3 to Manfredonia Tank Farm.

COUPLING :

49,800 ft 4" pipe coupled this week on Cerig - Venosa line #2 (above). Coupling complete.
 25,300 ft 4" pipe coupled on Castelluccio L.G. line which runs from Foggia Main L.G. to Castelluccio L.G. Coupling complete.
 61,140 ft 4" pipe coupled on Foggia - Manfredonia line #3 (above).

TANK CONSTR:

1,000 bbl tank (No. 2) located at Pantanella L.G.- constructed foundation & fire wall - layed bottom - erected 1st and 2nd ring during period covered by this report.
 10,000 bbl tank located near Venosa L.G.- layed bottom, set 1st ring during period covered by this report.
 1,000 bbl tank (No. 2) located at Stornara L.G. - constructed grade & fire wall, layed bottom, set 1st & 2nd ring layed deck to complete tank.
 1,000 bbl tank located at Lesina L.G.- layed bottom, erected 1st & 2nd ring, layed deck to complete tank.
 1,000 bbl tank located at Castelluccio L.G. - constructed foundation & firewall - layed bottom, erected 1st & 2nd ring, layed deck to complete tank.

PUMPS SET :

Installed pump at tank site L.G. Castelluccio.
 Installed Buda pump on Lesina line.
 Installed Buda pump at Manfredonia Tank Farm.

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Installed loading rack at Castelluccio L.O. complete with two (2) overhead risers.

HAULING :

Hauled steel for the following 1,000 bbl tanks fr Depot to location: Castelluccio, Stornara, Tortorella, Pantanella, and Sterparone L.O.'s.

Hauled steel for 10,000 bbl tank located near Venosa from Depot.

Disconnected 4 Pup pumps on Cerig - Venosa line #2 & hauled to Depot.

ROAD CROSSING:

Dressed line & dug 10 road crossings completed one major river crossing on Cerig-Venosa line #2 to complete road and river crossings on this line.

Dressed line & dug 46 road crossings & made one river crossing on Foggia - Manfredonia line #3.

CAULKING :

Caulked 10,000 bbl tank located at Foggia Main L.O.

TESTING :

Tested & repaired approx 13 miles Cerig - Venosa line #2.
Tested & repaired entire Castelluccio to Foggia Main L.O. line during period covered by this report.

LABOR USED :

Mainline Constr: US Engr 3- 0 & 78 EM, Civ 95 Daily Average.
Tank Constr : US Engr 1- 0 & 28 EM- Daily Average.

VEHICLE USED:

Mainline Constr: 22 - 6x6 Cargo, 2 W/carriers & 3 Jeeps.
Tank Constr : 3 - 6x6 Cargo, 1 W/carrier & 1 Jeep.

EQUIPMENT USED:

Mainline Constr: 2- Acetylene Welding Units, 2 Elec Units.
Tank Constr : 1- D4 Bulldozer, 1- Air Compressor.,
Small Hand Tools.

CARL W. BILLS,
CAPT., C. E.,
COMMANDING

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HEADQUARTERS
704 ENGINEER PETROLEUM DISTRIBUTION COMPANY
APO #700

2 April 1944

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Force Engineer Command, APO (Prov),
APO 528, U.S. Army.

1. Report of construction done by 704 Engineer Petroleum Distribution Company from 20 March 1944 to 1 April 1944, inclusive.

- a. Altamira 6" line - clearing right of way and constructing roads.
- b. Brindisi 4" line:
 1. Coupling completed.
 2. Pump station set (1-4" pump)
 3. 5 miles of line tested.
 4. 9 1/2 road crossing dug.
 5. 5,000 bbl. storage tank 30% complete
- c. El Pizone to El Fronte line - addition of 6" line paralleling present 4" and 6" lines - 2,000 feet strung.
- d. El Pizone ship discharging line - constructing new 8" line from pipeline to end of pier, 8" floating line to header raft with "A" frame - shore work 50% complete.
- e. Daily average of personnel and equipment used for construction:
 1. Personnel
 - a. 100 RM
 - b. 100 Italian Soldiers
 - c. 100 Italian Civilians
 2. Equipment
 - a. Twelve 2 1/2 ton cargo trucks
 - b. Three 2 1/2 ton oilfield trucks
 - c. Two air compressors
 - d. One 4 ton cargo truck with 8 ton trailer
 - e. One 4 ton wrecker
 - f. Two D-4 tractors
 - g. Three welding machines

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2. Daily average of personnel and equipment used for operation and maintenance.

a. Personnel .
1. 116 EM

b. Equipment
1. Four 2 1/2 ton cargo trucks
2. Three 2 1/2 ton cargo trucks, oilfield.
3. Three weapons carriers

/s/Jerome F. Krastel
A/JEROME F. KRASTEL
Captain, U.S.,
Commanding.

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HEADQUARTERS
 ARMY AIR FORCE ENGINEER COMMAND, MTO (PROV)
 APO 528

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23 March, 1944.

SUBJECT: Transmittal Weekly Progress Reports.

TO : Commanding General, Allied Control Commission, APO 777,
 U.S. Army. ATTENTION: Chief Engineer.

Attached hereto are Weekly Progress Reports for the 697th and
 704th Engineer Petroleum Distribution Companies, from 12 March to
 18 March, 1944, inclusive for your information.

For the Commanding General:

E. A. Barnes
 E. A. BARNES,
 Lt. Colonel, AGD,
 Adjutant General.

2 Incls:

- (1) Weekly Progress Report for 697 Engrs.
- (2) Weekly Progress Report for 704 Engrs.

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HEADQUARTERS 697TH ENGINEER
PETROLEUM DISTRIBUTION CO (SEP)
APO 464 US ARMY

19 March 1944

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report.

TO : CG, Army Air Force Engineer Command/MTU, APO 528.

The following is a summary of progress for the period
12 March/44 to 18 March/44.

PIPE STRUNG:

47,400 ft 4" pipe strung this week on Cerignola-Gravena line, which runs fr Cerig 10,000 bbl - thru L.G. Pantanella-L.G. Venosa - L.G. Spinnazzola to Gravena; that section of the line running fr Venosa to Gravena being a double 4" line. Stringing Complete.

1,080 ft 4" pipe strung this week on Lesina line, which runs fr San Severo to Lesina L.G. - a distance of approx-18 miles - Stringing complete.

*22,760 ft 4" pipe on Bari-Gravena line, making a total of 172,060 ft.

PIPE COUPLED:

91,740 ft 4" pipe coupled on Cerig-Gravena line (above)., Coupling completed.

26,320 ft 4" pipe coupled on Lesina line (above).

* 23,180 ft 4" pipe on Bari-Gravena line, making a total of 170,560 ft.

TANK CONSTR:

1,000 bbl tank located at San Severo L.G., erected 2nd ring & layed deck to complete 100%.

PUMPS SET :

Cerig-Gravena line - Installed 2 Buda pumps (No 1 & 4) Complete., No. 2, 50% complete and No. 3, material hauled to location.

Set one carter pump at Venosa L.G.

San Severo line - Installed one Buda pump for testing, installed one carter pump at 1,000 bbl tank site.

* Installed Pumps at Stations No. 4 & 5 on Bari-Gravena line.

LOADING RACKS:

Installed loading rack at San Severo L.G. complete with two (2) overhead risers and all connections made. 77

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ROAD CROSSING:

Dressed line & dug 10 road crossings- completed one major river crossing - on Cerignola-Gravina line.
 Dressed line & dug 13 road crossings on San Severo line.
 Dressed line & dug 36 road crossings on Lesina line.

TESTING :

Tested & repaired leaks on 35 miles of Cerig-Gravina line, (fr Venosa to Gravina lines 1 & 2).
 Tested & repaired leaks on San Severo line running from Foggia L.G. #7 to San Severo, 100% complete.
 * Tested line fr Station No 1 to 2 and No 2 to 3 repairing all leaks on Bari-Gravina line.

CAULKING :

Caulked 1,000 bbl tanks at Vincenzo L.G. & Sterparone L.G.

OPERATIONS:

Operation of Manfredi-Cerig-Foggia System with 10 & 70 EM:
 Total receipts from tanker discharge at Manfredi Docks - 40,480 bbls; Total issues 52,144 bbls, Daily High 14,710 bbls and Daily Average 7,449 bbls.

LABOR USED:

Mainline Constr:	US Engr 2-0 & 30 EM, Civ 96	Daily Average.
Tank Constr	: US Engr 1-0 & 3 EM,	" "
Operations	: US Engr 1-0 & 70 EM	" "

VEHICLES USED:

Mainline Constr:	12- 6x6 Cargo & 2 jeeps	- Daily Average.
Tank Constr	: 1- 6x6 Cargo & 1 Jeep	- " "
Operations	: 1- 6x6 Cargo & 3 W/Carriers, 1-Jeep	" "

EQUIPMENT USED:

Mainline Constr:	2- Acetylene Welding Units, 1-D4 Bulldozer.
Tank Constr	: 1- Air Compressor - Small hand tools.

* NOTE

: Construction completed by Det 703rd Engr P.D.C., (Bari-Gravina line) for period 4 March to 17 March/44. Strength 2-0, 73 EM, 48 Civilians (daily average). Atchd to this unit for duty.

CARL W. BILLS,
 Capt., C. E.,
 Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS
70th ENGINEER PETROLEUM DISTRIBUTION COMPANY
APO #700

17 March 1944

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Force Engineer Command, HPO (Prov),
APO 508, U.S. Army.

1. Report of construction done by 70th Engineer Petroleum Distribution Company from 12 March 1944 to 16 March 1944, inclusive.

- a. Stone splinter wall at Harkeria 10,000 bbl tank 90% complete.
(Work halted due to lack of cement)
- b. Lecco 4" branch completed with the exception of 1,000 bbl tank which has not arrived.
- c. Brindisi 4" branch:
 - (1) All standard weight butt welded pipe replaced with light weight pipe.
 - (2) 73,330 feet of light weight pipe strung.
- d. Porto Tormo Terminal - making five 40,000 bbl tanks with gasoline 80% complete.
- e. Alghero 6" line:
 - (1) Stringing and coupling completed.
 - (2) No. 3 pump station (2-6" pumps) completed.
 - (3) No. 3 pump station (3-6" pump) completed.
 - (4) No. 4 pump station (1-6" pump) completed.
 - (5) All road crossings ditched.
 - (6) Testing 90% complete.
 - (7) 15 miles of communication lines completed by British.
- f. Gioia 4" branch:
 - (1) Stringing completed.
 - (2) 36,000 feet of pipe coupled.
 - (3) Ditching 90% complete.

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E. Daily average of personnel and equipment need for construction.

(1) Personnel:

- (a) 145 EM
- (b) 100 Italian Soldiers
- (c) 232 Italian Civilians

(2) Equipment:

- (a) Twenty-two 2½ ton cargo trucks.
- (b) Four 2½ ton oilfield trucks.
- (c) Two air compressors.
- (d) One 4 ton cargo truck with 8 ton trailer.
- (e) One 4 ton wrecker.
- (f) One R-4 tractor.
- (g) Two weapons carriers.
- (h) Three welding machines.

F. Daily average of personnel and equipment used for operation and maintenance.

A. 43 EM

B. Equipment:

- (1) Two 2½ ton cargo trucks.
- (2) One 2½ ton oilfield truck.
- (3) One weapons carrier.

/s/ Jerome F. Krystal
 /s/ Jerome F. Krystal,
 Captain, U.S.,
 Commanding.

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ARMY AIR FORCE ENGINEER COMMAND, MTO (PROV)
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15 March, 1944.

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SUBJECT: Transmittal Weekly Progress Reports.

TO : Commanding General, Allied Control Commission, APO 777, U.S. Army.
ATTENTION: Chief Engineer.

Attached hereto are Weekly Progress Reports for the 697th and 704th Engineer Petroleum Distribution Companies, from 5 March to 11 March 1944, inclusive for your information.

For the Commanding General:

E. A. Barnes
E. A. BARNES,
Lt. Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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- (1) Weekly Progress Report for 697 Engrs.
- (2) Weekly Progress Report for 704 Engrs.

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HEADQUARTERS 697TH ENGINEER
PETROLEUM DISTRIBUTION CO (SEP)
APO 464 US ARMY

12 March 1944

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report.

To : CG, Army Air Force Engineer Command/MTG APO 528.

The following is a summary of progress for the period
3th March/44 to 11 March/44.

PIPE STRUNG:

107,200 ft 4" pipe strung this week on Cerignola-Gravina line, which runs fr Cerig 10,000 bbl - thru L.G. Pantanella-L.G. Venosa - L.G. Spinazzola to Gravina; that section of the line running fr Venosa to Gravina being a double 4" line.

30,040 ft 4" pipe strung this week on Lesina line, which runs fr San Severo to Lesina L.G. - a distance of approx-18 miles.

PIPE COUPLED:

174,300 ft 4" pipe on Cerig-Gravina line (above).

5,540 ft 4" pipe on San Severo line which runs fr Foggia L.G. #7 to San Severo L.G.

TANK CONSTRUCTION:

1,000 bbl tank located at San Severo L.G., layed bottom and erected 1st ring.

5,000 bbl tank located at Spinazzola L.G., tightened 3rd ring, painted bottom & connected into mainline.

PUMPS SET:

Installed 3 Buda & 6 PDP Pumps on Cerig-Gravina mainline.

Set 1 Carter pump at Spinazzola 5,000 bbl tank site.

Set 1 Carter pump at Pantanella L.G.

LOADING RACKS:

Installed loading rack at Pantanella L.G.

Installed loading rack at Spinazzola L.G.

ROAD CROSSINGS:

Dressed line & dug 34 R. Crossings on Cerig-Gravina line, also made two (2) small river crossings.

Dressed line & dug 30 R. Crossings on San Severo line.

TESTING:

Tested & repaired leaks on 18 miles of Cerig-Gravina line (No. 1 line from Venosa L.G. towards Gravina.).

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UNLOADING:

Continued unloading freight cars - pipeline material at
Corignola - Gravina - Foggia Sidings.
Hauled pipeline materials fr siding to pipe depot Corig.
Unloaded & hauled 10,000 bbl tank material to location
at Foggia Main L.G. & Stock piled 8- 10,000 bbl tanks.

OTHER CONSTR:

Construction of Fire Wall around 10,000 bbl tank (No. 102)
located at Manfre Tank Farm; constructed 60% of Wall during
period covered by this report to complete 100% (Italian labor).

OPERATIONS:

Operation of Manfre-Corig-Foggia System with 1-0 & 74 EM:
Total receipts from tanker discharge at Manfre Docks -
34,121 bbls, Total issues 32,036 bbls, Daily High 13,044 bbls
and Daily Average 4,580 bbls.

LABOR USED:

Mainline Constr:	US Engr 2-0 & 26 EM, Civ 177	Daily Average.
Tank Constr	: US Engr 1-0 & 8 EM,	" "
Operations	: US Engr 1-0 & 74 EM,	" "
Fire Walls	: US Engr 1-0 & 5 EM, Civ 96	" "

VEHICLES USED:

Mainline Constr:	28- 6x6 Cargo & 2-Jeeps	Daily Average.
Tank Constr	: 1- 6x6 Cargo	" "
Operations	: 1- 6x6 Cargo, 3 W/Carrier, & 1-Jeep.	" "
Fire Walls	: 3- 6x6 Cargo, 2- 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ Dump & 1- Jeep.	" "

EQUIPMENT USED:

Mainline Constr:	2- Acetylene Welding Units, 1- B4 Bulldozer.
Tank Constr	: 1- Air Compressor- Small hand tools.
	1- Crane (loaned by 21st Engrs.)

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CAPT., U. S. A.,
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704 ENGINEER PETROLEUM DISTRIBUTION COMPANY
APO #700

12 March, 1944

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report.

TO: Commanding General, Army Air Force Engineer Command,
Mediterranean Theater of Operations (Prov), APO 524,
U.S. Army.1. Report of construction done by 704 Engineer Petroleum Distribution
Company from 5 March, 1944 to 11 March, 1944, inclusive.

- a. Salineo well at Rancheria 10,000 gal. tank 75% complete.
- b. Lecce 4" branch
 - (1) Washing and testing completed.
 - (2) Connecting of three underground storage tanks to system completed.
 - (3) Loading rack completed.
 - (4) Foundation for 1,000 gal. tank completed.
 - (5) 200 feet of ditching.
 - (6) Construction of communication line completed.
- c. Brindisi 4" branch
 - (1) 42,700 feet of light weight 4" pipe stock piled on line to replace standard weight butt welded pipe.
 - (2) 9,200 feet of 4" pipe strung.
- d. Porto Panna Terminal
 - (1) Washing five 45,000 gal. tanks with gasoline by British 60% complete.
- e. Altamura 6" line
 - (1) 90,500 feet pipe strung
 - (2) 93,210 feet pipe coupled
 - (3) No. 2 pump station (2 - 6" pumps) 80% complete
 - (4) 42 road crossings dug.
 - (5) 3.5 miles of detail survey made
 - (6) 27 miles of communication line completed.

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f. Cloia A" branch

- (1) 4,000 Feet of pipe strung
- (2) 5,000 bbl. tank and loading rack tested with water
- (3) Fire wall 50% complete

g. Daily average of personnel and equipment used for construction

(1) Personnel

- (a) 149 EM
- (b) 100 Italian soldiers
- (c) 150 Italian civilians

(2) Equipment

- (a) Seventeen 2½ ton cargo trucks
- (b) Four 2½ ton oilfield trucks
- (c) Two air compressors
- (d) One 4 ton cargo truck and 8 ton trailer
- (e) One 4 ton wrecker
- (f) One H-A tractor
- (g) Two weapons carriers
- (h) Three welding machines

2. Daily average of personnel and equipment used for operation.

a. 37 EM

b. Equipment

- (1) One weapons carrier
- (2) One 2½ ton oil field truck

/s/ Jerome F. Krastel
 /s/ JEROME F. KRASTEL,
 Captain, U.S.,
 Commanding.

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HEADQUARTERS
 ARMY AIR FORCE ENGINEER COMMAND, MTO, PROV.,
 APO 528

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463.

8 March 1944.

SUBJECT: Transmittal Weekly Progress Reports.

TO : Commanding General, Allied Control Commission, APO 777, U.S. Army,
 ATTENTION: Chief Engineer.

Attached hereto are Weekly Progress Reports for the 697th and
 704th Engineer Petroleum Distribution Companies, from 27 February to
 4 March, 1944, inclusive, for your information.

For the Commanding General:

E. A. Barnes
 E. A. BARNES,
 Lt. Col., AGD,
 Adjutant General.

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- (1) Weekly Progress Report for 697 Engrs.
- (2) Weekly Progress Report for 704 Engrs.



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 of work.*

Col. Laffan

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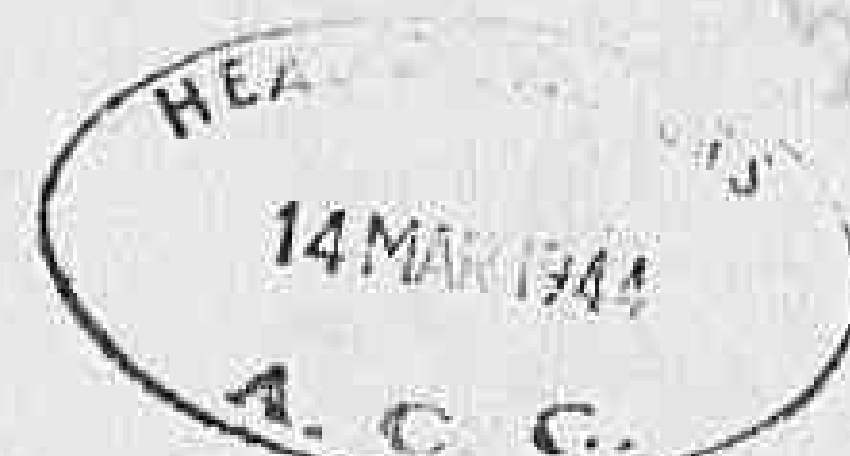
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HEADQUARTERS 607TH ENGINEER
PETROLEUM DISTRIBUTION CO (SEP)
APO 464 US ARMY



5 March 1944

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report.

TO : CG, Army Air Force Engineer Command/ETO (Prov) APO 828.

The following is a summary of progress for the period
27th Feb/44 to 4th Mar/44.

PIPE STRUNG:

187,600 ft 4" pipe strung this week on Cerignola-Gravena line, which runs fr Cerignola 10,000 bbl - thru L.G. Pantanella - L.G. Venosa - L.G. Spinnazzola to Gravena.
2,060 ft 4" pipe strung this week on Vincenzo L.G. line which runs from near Foggia Main L.G. to Vincenzo a distance of approx 7 miles - stringing complete.
42,560 ft 4" pipe strung this week on San Severo line which runs from Foggia L.G. #7 to San Severo, a distance of approx 8 miles - Stringing complete.
48,850 ft 4" pipe strung this week on Castelluccio L.G. line which runs fr Foggia Main L.G. to Castelluccio L.G., a distance of approx 9 miles. - Stringing complete.
* 147,580 ft 4" pipe fr Bari to Gravena.

PIPE COUPLED:

97,180 ft 4" pipe on Cerignola-Gravena line (above).
9,840 ft 4" pipe on Vincenzo L.G. line (above) complete.
Gasoline pumped thru line to 1,000 bbl tank Vincenzo on 2 Mar/44.
2,440 ft 4" pipe on Sterparone L.G. line which runs from 5,000 bbl (San Severo) tank #19 to Sterparone L.G., - - Coupling complete.
33,000 ft 4" pipe on San Severo line, which runs from Foggia L.G. #7 to San Severo.
* 147,580 ft 4" pipe fr Bari to Gravena.

TANK FND'N:

Constructed foundation & graveled 1,000 bbl tank site located at San Severo L.G.

CONNECTING:

Installed Carter pump & loading rack at Vincenzo 760.

ROAD CROSS'G:

Dressed line & dug 22 road crossings on Cerig-Gravena line.
Dressed line & dug 9 road crossings on Vincenzo line.
Dressed line & dug 13 road crossings on San Severo-Foggia L.G. #7 line.

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4**TESTING:**

Tested & repaired leaks on Cerignola-Gravona line from Cerignola to Venosa (approx 20 miles).
Tested & repaired leaks on remainder of Sterparone line (approx 5 miles) - completed testing.

UNLOADING:

Continued unloading freight cars pipeline material at Cerignola-Canosa-Gravona & Foggia Depots. Hauled pipeline material fr sideings to Depot (pipe) Cerignola. Hauled 1- 1,000 bbl tank fr Cerignola to L.G. Lesina.
* Unloaded 41 cars pipeline material.

*** PUMPS SET:**

Set 2 Buda pumps on Bari - Gravona line.

OTHER CONSTR:

Constructed Fire Wall around tank No. 105 located at Manfre-Tank Farm 100% complete.
Constructed foundation for Fire Wall & 20% of Fire Wall around tank No. 102 located at Manfredonia Tank Farm.

OPERATIONS:

Operation of Manfr-Cerig-Foggia System with 1-0 & 74 EM:
Total receipts from tanker discharge at Manfre Docks, 45,393 bbls; - Total issues 40,924 bbls, Daily High 11,645bbl and Daily Average 5,847 bbls.

LABOR USED:

Main Line Constr:	US Engr 2-0 & 36 EM, Civ 182 (daily average)
Operations	: US Engr 1-0 & 74 EM " "
Fire Wall	: US Engr 1-0 & 5 EM, Civ 96 " "
Tank Constr	: US Engr 1-0 & 1 EM " "

VEHICLES USED:

Main Line Constr:	29 6x6 Cargo & 2 Jeeps (daily average).
Operations	: 1 6x6 Cargo, 3 w/carriers & 1 Jeep. " "
Fire Wall Constr:	3 6x6 Cargo, 2- 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ Dump & 1- Jeep. " "
Tank Constr	: 1 6x6 Cargo.

EQUIPMENT USED:

Main Line Constr: 2 Acetylene Welding Units, 1- D-4 Bulldozer, 1-Air Compressor, 1-Crane (loaned by 21st Engrs) & small hand tools.

* NOTE : Construction completed by Det 703rd Engr P.D.C., (Bari-Gravona line) for period 22 Feb/44 to 3 Mar/44. Strength 2-0, 78 EM, 64 Civilians (daily average). Atchd to this unit for duty.

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HEADQUARTERS
704 ENGINEER PETROLEUM DISTRIBUTION COMPANY
APO #700

5 March, 1944.

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Force Engineer Command, Mediterranean
Theater of Operations (Prov), APO 526, US Army.1. Report of construction done by 704 Engineer Petroleum Distribution
Company from 27 February, 1944 to 4 March, 1944, inclusive.

a. Splinter wall at Manduria 10,000 bbl. tank 50% complete.

b. Lecce 4" branch.

- (1) Testing and washing 75% complete.
- (2) 300 feet of ditching done.
- (3) Connecting of three underground tanks (total 1,583 bbl. storage) to system 75% complete.
- (4) Loading rack 75% complete.
- (5) Foundation for 1,000 bbl. tank 30% complete.
- (6) 11 miles of communication line constructed.

c. Brindisi 1/4" branch.

- (1) Light weight, 14 gauge, steel spiral weld pipe separated from standard weight black butt welded pipe.
- (2) 6 miles of detail survey made.

d. Punta Penna Terminal.

- (1) 6" line from El Fronto to Punta Penna terminal completed.
- (2) Pump station (Two 6" pumps) completed.
- (3) Washing five 40,000 bbl tanks with gasoline 40% complete.

e. Altamura 6" line.

- (1) 128,560 feet 6" pipe strung
- (2) 73,620 feet 6" pipe coupled
- (3) 1.5 miles communication line constructed
- (4) 20 road crossings and one railroad crossing dug



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- f. Gioia 4" Branch.
 - (1) 5,000 bbl storage tank completed except for water test.
- g. Daily average of personnel and equipment used for construction.
 - (1) Personnel.
 - (a) 151 EM
 - (b) 70 Italian soldiers
 - (c) 150 Italian civilians
 - (2) Equipment.
 - (a) Nineteen 2½ ton cargo trucks.
 - (b) Four 2½ ton oilfield trucks
 - (c) Two air compressors
 - (d) Three welding machines
 - (e) One 4 ton wrecker and 8 ton trailer
 - (f) One R-4 tractor
 - (g) Two weapons carriers

2. Daily average of personnel and equipment used for operation.

- a. 35 EM
- b. Equipment
 - (1) One weapons carrier
 - (2) One 2½ ton oil field truck



/s/Jerome F. Krastel
 /t/JEROME F. KRASTEL,
 Captain, C.E.,
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HEADQUARTERS
ARMY AIR FORCE ENGINEER COMMAND, MTO(PROV)
APO 528

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1 March, 1944. *5-381*

SUBJECT: Transmittal Weekly Progress Reports. *PW-2*

TO : Commanding General, Allied Control Commission, APO 777,
US Army. ATTENTION: Chief Engineer.

Attached hereto are Weekly Progress Reports for the 697th and
704th Engineer Petroleum Distribution Companies, from 20 February to
26 February, 1944, inclusive, for your information.

For the Commanding General:

E. A. Barnes
E. A. BARNES,
Lt. Col., AGD,
Adjutant General.

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- (1) Weekly Progress Report for 697 Engrs.
- (2) Weekly Progress Report for 704 Engrs.

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HEADQUARTERS 697TH ENGINEER
PETROLEUM DISTRIBUTION CO (SEP)
APO 464 US ARMY

27 February 1944

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report.

TO : CG, Army Air Force Engineer Command, APO 650.

The following is a summary of progress for the period
20 Feb/44 to 26 Feb/44.

PIPE STRUNG:

86,300 ft 4" pipe strung this week on Cerignola - Gravona
line which runs from Cerignola 10,000 bbl - thru L.G. Pan-
tanello - L.G. Venosa - L.G. Spinazzola to Gravona.
28,840 ft 4" pipe strung this week on Vincenzo L.G. line
which runs from near Foggia Main to Vincenzo L.G. a distance
of approx 7 1/2 miles.
12,800 ft 4" pipe strung this week from recently constructed
5,000 bbl (San Severo Tank No. 20) to near Foggia L.G. #3
constituting a separate line from above 5,000 bbl tank direc-
tly to Sterparone L.G. to complete stringing Sterparone line.

PIPE COUPLED:

89,700 ft 4" pipe on Cerignola-Gravona line (above).
18,320 ft 4" pipe on Vincenzo line (above).
27,720 ft 4" pipe on Sterparone L.G. line (above).

ROAD CROSSING:

Dressed line & dug 25 road crossings on Cerignola-Gravona
line.
Dressed line & dug 12 road crossings on Vincenzo line.
Dressed line & dug 6 road crossings on Sterparone line.

RIVER CROSSING:

Completed one (1) river crossing on Cerignola - Gravona
line - crossing located 8 miles due south Cerignola.

TESTING :

Tested & repaired leaks on approx 7 miles Sterparone L.G.
line.
Tested & repaired leaks on approx 5 miles Cerignola - Gravona
line.

UNLOADING :

Unloaded 20 cars pipeline material at Cerignola 755
Depots.

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OTHER CONSTR:

Construction of Splinter Wall around 10,000 bbl tank (No. 105) located at Manfre-tank Farm: constructed 30% of Wall this week to complete 100%.

OPERATIONS

Operation of Manfr-Cerig-Poggia System with 1-0 & 73 KM:
Total receipts from tanker discharge at Manfre-Becks--
57,202 bbls, - Total issues, 51,365 bbls, Daily High 14,269 bbl
and Daily Average, 7,338 bbls.

LABOR USED

Main Line Constr: US Engr 2-0 & 38 KM, Civ 100 (daily average)
Operations : US Engr 1-0 & 73 KM, " " "
Splinter Wall : US Engr 1-0 & 8 KM, Civ 100 " " "

VEHICLES USED:

Main Line Constr: 20 - 6x6 Cargo & 2- Jeeps, (daily Average.)
Operations : 1 - 6x6 Cargo, 3 W/Carriers & 1- Jeep.
Splinter Wall : 6 - 6x6 Cargo & 1- Jeep.

EQUIPMENT USED:

Main Line Constr: 2- Acetylene Welding Units,
1- D-4 Bulldozer, 1- Air Compressor,
small hand tools.

CARL W. BILLES,
Capt., C. E.,
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 704 ENGINEER PETROLEUM DISTRIBUTION COMPANY
 APO #700

26 February, 1944.

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Force Engineer Command,
 Mediterranean Theater of Operations (Prov); APO 528, US Army.

1. Report of construction done by 704 Engineer Petroleum Distribution Company from 20 February 1944 to 26 February 1944, inclusive

- a. Manduria 10,000 bbl tank.
 - (1) Loading rack roadway completed
 - (2) Rock splinter wall 15% complete
- b. Lecce 4" branch.
 - (1) Stringing and coupling completed
 - (2) 47 road crossings and 1 railroad crossing dug
 - (3) 600 feet of other ditching
 - (4) Setting of 4" pump station complete
 - (5) Loading rack 50% complete
 - (6) 12 miles of line cleared by R-4 tractor
 - (7) 11 miles of communication lines erected by British
- c. Brindisi 4" branch
 - (1) Necessary pipe stock piled at 2 mile intervals on line
 - (2) 4,160 feet of pipe strung
- d. Albano 6" line
 - (1) 200,000 feet of pipe stock piled along line
 - (2) 41,160 feet of pipe strung
 - (3) 26,760 feet of pipe coupled
 - (4) 5 road crossings and 1 railroad crossing dug
 - (5) Detail survey of line completed
- e. Gioia 4" branch
 - (1) 60,000 feet of pipe stock piled along line
 - (2) 3 miles of detail survey made
 - (3) 5,000 bbl. tank 75% complete
- f. Punta Penna Terminal
 - (1) Pump station (2 - 6" pumps) 75% complete
 - (2) Cleaning five 40,000 bbl tanks by British 50% complete. (Leak washing tanks with gasoline)

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- a. Shipments from Toronto Dock
 - (1) By railcars - 141 loads
 - (2) By trucks - 146 loads
 - (3) By truck trailers - 35 loads
 - b. Daily average of personnel and equipment used
 - (1) Personnel
 - (a) 151 EM
 - (b) 120 Italian civilians
 - (c) 70 Italian soldiers
 - (2) Equipment
 - (a) Thirty-nine 2½ ton cargo trucks
 - (b) Two 2½ ton dump trucks
 - (c) Four 2½ ton oilfield trucks
 - (d) Two air compressors
 - (e) Three welding machines
 - (f) One 4 ton wrecker and 6 ton trailer
 - (g) One 8-1/2 tractor
 - (h) Two weapons carriers
 - c. 2. Daily average of personnel and equipment used for operation.
 - a. 35 EM
 - b. One weapons carrier and one 3½ ton oilfield truck.

/s/ Jerome F. Krastel
 /t/ JEROME F. KRASTEL,
 Captain, C.E.,
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ARMY AIR FORCE ENGINEER COMMAND, MTO (PROV),
APO 528

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22 February, 1944.

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SUBJECT: Transmittal Weekly Progress Reports.

TO : Commanding General, Allied Control Commission, APO 777, U.S. Army.
 ATTENTION: Chief Engineer.

Attached hereto are Weekly Progress Reports for the 697th and 704th
 Engineer Petroleum Distribution Companies, from 13 February to 19 February, 1944,
 inclusive, for your information.

For the Commanding General:

E. A. Barnes
 E. A. BARNES,
 Lt. Col., AGD,
 Adjutant General.

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- (1) Weekly Progress Report for 697 Engrs.
- (2) Weekly Progress Report for 704 Engrs.

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HEADQUARTERS 697TH ENGINEER
PETROLEUM DISTRIBUTION CO (SEP)
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20 February 1944

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report.

TO : CG, Army Air Force Engineer Command, APO 650.

1. The following is a summary of progress for the period 13 Feb/44 to 19 Feb/44.

TANK CONSTR:

1,000 bbl tank located at Sterparone L.G., completely erected during period covered by this report.
1,000 bbl tank located at Vincenzo L.G., completely erected during period covered by this report.

TANK FND'N :

Completed remaining one half of foundation, 10,000 bbl tank foundation located at Palazzo L.G. & constructed fire wall around foundation.
Constructed fire wall around 1,000 bbl tank fnd'n located at Pantanella L.G.

PIPE STRING:

24,420 ft 4" pipe to complete stringing of Sterparone Branch line which consists of approximately 8 miles running from Foggia L.G. #3 to Sterparone L.G.
58,220 ft 4" pipe from Cerignola 10,000 bbl tank towards Spinazzola L.G. a distance of approximately 40 miles.

PIPE COUPLED:

4,980 ft 4" pipe on Sterparone line (above.)
33,800 ft 4" pipe on Cerignola-Spinazzola L.G. line (above).

PUMPS SET :

Set Carter pump at recently constructed 5,000 bbl tank located on San Severo Line.

LOADING RACK:

Installed 2" loading racks at Foggia #3 and #7 L.G.'s, removed previously installed 4" loading racks.

ROAD CROSS'G:

Completed 14 crossings on Cerignola - Spinazzola L.G. line. 751

OTHER CONSTR:

Construction of Splinter Wall around 10,000 bbl tank (No. 105) located at Manire-Tank Farm; constructed 55% of wall during this week making a total of 75% complete.

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OPERATIONS:

Operation of Manfre-Corig-Foggia System with 1-0 & 73 EM:
 Total receipts from tanker discharge at Manfre-Docks -
 38,460 bbls-- Total issues 41,304 bbls, Daily High 10,835 bbls,
 and Daily Average 5,586 bbls.

UNLOADING :

Unloaded 38 cars pipeline material at Corignola Depot.

LABOR USED:

Main Line Constr:	US Engr 2-0 & 8 EM, Civ 38 (daily average)	"	"
Tank Constr	: US Engr 1-0 & 10 EM.	"	"
Operations	: US Engr 1-0 & 73 EM.	"	"
Splinter Wall	: US Engr 1-0 & 3 EM, Civ 100	"	"

VEHICLES USED:

Main Line Constr:	3- 6x6 Cargo & 1- Jeep.
Tank Constr	: 2- 6x6 Cargo & 1- Jeep.
Operations	: 1- 6x6 Cargo, 3 w/Carriers & 1- Jeep.
Splinter Wall	: 5- 6x6 Cargo & 1- Jeep.

EQUIP USED:

Main Line Constr:	2- Acetylene Welding Units.
Tank Constr	: 2- Electric Welding Units,
	1- D-4 Bulldozer, 1-Air Compressor,
	and small hand tools.

NOTE:

Pipeline material started arriving at Corignola Depot on
 16 Feb/44.

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 Capt., O. E.,
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HEADQUARTERS
704 ENGINEER PETROLEUM DISTRIBUTION COMPANY
APO #700

20 February, 1944

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Force Engineer Command,
Mediterranean Theater of Operations (Prov), APO 528,
U.S. Army.

1. Report of construction done by 704 Engineer Petroleum Distribu-
tion Company from 13 February, 1944 to 19 February, 1944, inclusive.

a. San Pancrazio Airbase - Two of four 300 bbl tanks to be re-
located were completed and are now in use.

b. Grottaglie Airbase - Addition of one 250 bbl tank and one 300
bbl tank completed.

c. Manduria 10,000 bbl tank

- (1) Fire wall completed.
- (2) Rock splinter wall 5% complete.
- (3) Loading rack roadway 90% complete.

d. Lecce 4" branch

- (1) 65,000 feet 4" pipe hauled Taranto wharveside to
Verlie stockpile.
- (2) 63,056 feet of 4" pipe strung.
- (3) 67,580 feet of 4" pipe coupled.
- (4) 3 miles of roadway constructed.
- (5) 12 miles restaked by surveyors (Original stakes re-
moved by civilians).

e. Brindisi 4" branch.

- (1) 66,500 feet of 4" pipe stock piled along line at 2 mile
intervals.

f. Altamura 6" line

- (1) 5,780 feet 6" pipe strung
- (2) 4,000 feet 6" pipe coupled
- (3) 24 miles of detail survey made

g. Gioia Airbase.

- (1) 5000 bbl tank 5% complete
- (2) Loading rack 100% complete
- (3) One road crossing and one railroad crossing dug

h. Punta Penna terminal.

- (1) 3" steam line 100% complete
- (2) Tanker discharging line to five 40,000 bbl tanks
100% complete

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- (3) Section line for terminal pump station (Altamura 6" line) 100% complete.
- (4) Pump station.
 - a. Foundation 100% complete.
 - b. Header 25% complete.
- (5) Cleaning of five 40,000 bbl tanks by British 85% complete.
- (6) Repairing vent on domes of five 40,000 bbl tanks 60% complete.
- i. Communications
 - (1) Communications complete for present pipeline system in operation.
 - (2) Materials have arrived for communications on Lecce line.
- j. Pump houses (Work temporarily stopped for verification of approval)
 - (1) No. 1 station 55% complete
 - (2) No. 2 station 90% complete
 - (3) No. 3 station 80% complete
 - (4) Manduria airdrome 20% complete
 - (5) San Pancrazio airdrome 20% complete
 - (6) Manduria 10,000 bbl tank 20% complete
- k. Shipments from Taranto docks
 - (1) By railroad cars - 135 loads
 - (2) By trucks - 99 loads
 - (3) By truck trailers - 70 loads
- l. Daily average of personnel and equipment
 - (1) 151 EM, 86 civilians, 30 Italian soldiers
 - (2) Equipment:
 - Sixteen 2 1/2 ton cargo trucks
 - three 2 1/2 ton dump trucks
 - four 2 1/2 ton oil field trucks
 - two air compressors
 - three welding machines
 - one 4 ton wrecker with 6 ton trailer
 - four prime movers with 16 ton trailers
 - one 3 1/2 tractor
 - two weapons barriers
- 2. Daily average of personnel and equipment used for operation.
 - a. 35 EM
 - b. One weapons carrier and one 2 1/2 ton oilfield truck.

/s/Jerome P. Erastel
 /s/JEROME P. ERASTEL
 Captain, U.S.A., 748
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SUBJECT: Transmittal Weekly Progress Reports.

TO : Commanding General, Allied Control Commission, APO
777, U.S. Army.
ATTENTION: Chief Engineer.Attached hereto are Weekly Progress Reports for the 697th
and 704th Engineer Petroleum Distribution Companies, from 30
January, 1944, to 5 February, 1944, inclusive, for your infor-
mation.

For the Commanding General:

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6 February 1944

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Force Engineer Command, Mediterranean
Theater of Operation (Prov), APO 650, U. S. Army1. Following is a report of construction by 704 Engineer Petroleum
Distribution Company from 30 January to 5 February 1944, inclusive.

- a. Manduria Airdrome - Addition of one 1,000 bbl tank and relocation of loading rack pump unit. Work 75% complete.
- b. San Pancrazio Airdrome - Addition of four 300 bbl tanks, formerly underground, and relocation of loading rack pump unit. Work 20% complete.
- c. Grottaglie Airdrome - Addition of one 250 bbl tank and one 300 bbl tank. Work 45% complete.
- d. Firewall at Manduria 10,000 bbl tank 20% complete.
- e. Two outlet loading rack at Manduria 10,000 bbl tank completed except for roadway.
- f. Punta Penna terminal
 - (1) Steam line for cleaning tanks 50% complete
 - (2) Ship discharging line with connections to five present 40,000 bbl tanks 40% complete
 - (3) Suction line for terminal pump station (Altamura 6" line) connected to five 40,000 bbl tanks 50% complete
 - (4) Excavation for terminal pump station (Altamura 6" line) 75% complete
 - (5) Cleaning of five 40,000 bbl tanks by British 25% complete
- g. Brindisi 4" line - preliminary survey completed
- h. Lecce 4" line - transit-stadia survey 25% complete
- i. Communication system
 - (1) El Fronte to Manduria - 100% complete
 - (2) San Giorgio to Grottaglie airdrome - 100% complete
 - (3) Manduria to Manduria airdrome - 100% complete
 - (4) Manduria to San Pancrazio airdrome - 35% complete

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- j. Pump station houses
 - (1) No. 1 station 85% complete
 - (2) No. 2 station 70% complete
 - (3) No. 3 station 40% complete
 - (4) Manduria airdrome 20% complete
 - k. Daily average of personnel and equipment used
 - (1) 132 E.M., 20 Italian soldiers, 70 civilians
 - (2) Five 2½ ton dump trucks, nine 2½ ton cargo trucks, five 2½ ton oil-field trucks, two air compressors, three welding machine, one four ton cargo truck, one 8 ton trailer, one R-4 tractor and three 3/4 weapon carriers.
2. Daily average of personnel and equipment used for operation.
- a. 54 E.M.
 - b. Three 2½ ton cargo trucks

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HEADQUARTERS 687TH ENGINEER
PETROLEUM DISTRIBUTION CO (SEP)
APO 404 US ARMY

6 February 1944

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report.

TO : CG, Army Air Force Engineer Command, APO 650.

The following is a summary of progress for the period 30 Jan/44 to 5 Feb/44.

TANK CONSTRUCTION:

1,300 bbl tank located at Amendola L.G. (construction consisting of welding together of 7 sections), welded last section, moved onto foundation & connected.
5,000 bbl tank located (near existing 5,000 bbl #8) 4 MI North of Foggia on San Severo road; hauled steel to site, laid bottom, erected 3/4 of 1st ring.
5,000 bbl tank located at Spinazzola L.G.; hauled steel to site, laid bottom, erected 1st and 2nd ring.

TANK FOUNDATION:

Constructed foundation & graveled 10,000 bbl tank site #2 (located near existing 10,000 bbl tank) at Cerignola.

STEPPING :

3,200 ft 4" pipe on Sterparone branch line which consists of approx 3 MI, running from Foggia L.G.#3 to Sterparone L.G.

COUPLING :

3,200 ft 4" pipe on Sterparone line (above).

BARRELING RACK:

Installed & made all connections on barreling rack at Cerignola 10,000 bbl site.

DRIVEWAYS :

Constructed driveways at Pump Station #2 Cerignola, Loading Rack at Cerignola 10,000 bbl site, and Loading Rack at Sterparone L.G. 1,000 bbl site - construction consisting of grading & graveling.

ROAD CROSS:

Completed 4 road crossings on Sterparone line. Buried approx 1 MI of 4" line at Sterparone L.G. to prevent damage to line by frequent crossing of trucks.

PUMPS SET :

Installed PMP pump at Lucera L.G.

OPERATIONS:

Operation of Manfredi-Cerig-Foggia System with 1-G. & 73 EM; Total receipts from tanker discharge at Manfredi docks 38,113 bbls; Total issues 42,427 bbls, Daily High 8,817 bbls, and Daily Average 6,061 bbls.

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OTHER CONSTR:

Construction of Splinter Wall around 10,000 bbl tank (No 12) located at Cerignola; constructed 25% of wall during period covered by this report making a total of 95 % complete.

Construction of Splinter Wall around 10,000 bbl tank (No 102) located at Sanfre- Tank Farm; constructed 30% of wall during period of this report making a total of 80% complete.

Constructed foundation for 1,500 bbl tank located at Amendola L.G., foundation completed during period covered by this report. Foundation constructed of stone blocks, Italian labor.

HAULING :

1,500 bbl gasoline pumped into storage tank Lucera L.G. upon being tested was found to be contaminated & unfit for use requiring its removal. Removal was accomplished by 324th Service Group & 887th Engrs. Contamination due to the use of pipe previously used to transport other fuels.

LABOR USED:

Main Line Constr:	US Engrs 1-6 & 10 KM, Civ 30 (2a Average)	" "
Tank Constr	: US Engrs 2-0 & 16 KM.	" "
Operations	: US Engrs 1-0 & 73 KM	" "
Splinter Wall	: 35 Engrs 1-0 & 3 KM, Civ 100,	" "

VEHICLES USED:

Main Line Constr:	2- 6x6 Cargo & 1- Jeep.
Tank Constr	: 3- 6x6 Cargo, 1- BT & 1- Jeep.
Operations	: 1- 6x6 Cargo, 3/w/Carriers & 1- Jeep.
Splinter Wall	: 6- 6x6 Cargo, & 1- Jeep.

EQUIP USED :

Main Line Constr:	2- Acetylene Welding Units.
Tank Constr	: 2- Electric Welding Units,
	1- D-4 Bulldozer, 1- Air Compressor,
	and small hand tools.

NOTE:

No pipe available for further pipeline construction.

CARL W. BILLS,
Capt., C. E.,
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