Former Joshua Brothers Sugar Refinery



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Location

265 Whitehall Street,, YARRAVILLE VIC 3013 - Property No B5089

Municipality

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Level of significance

National

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1311

Heritage Listing

National Trust

Statement of Significance

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Joshua Brothers Company erected the first Yarraville sugar refinery in 1873 reputedly using local contractors Edward Murphey and Timothy Lane. Thomas Watts was architect of the early stages of construction with initial tenders in November 1872, two brick stores were added in 1872-5 and a timber store in 1875. Either John Campbell or James Muir (there is conflict in sources) were brought out from Scotland to supervise construction and became manager on completion in February 1874.

The Victorian Sugar Company, having built a refinery in Sandridge in c.1857 took over Joshua Brothers works when their own Sandridge refinery burnt down in 1875.

The company merged in July 1887 with the New South Wales and Queensland based Colonial Sugar Refinery Co. which was itself set up in 1855 having taken over the Australian Sugar Co.

CSR had, by the late nineteenth century, established itself as a virtual monopoly growing and producing sugar cane in Queensland and northern N.S.W. and other pacific countries and refining and packing in Sydney, Melbourne, and other cities, and was the second largest sugar refinery in Australia in the 1950s.

Classified: 01/10/1990

Other Names Colonial Sugar Refinery, Victorian Sugar Company,

Hermes Number 66111

Property Number

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