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PENNSYLVANIA HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM OFFICE OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION Box 1026 PA HISTORICAL & MUSEUM COMMISSION Harrisburg, PA 17120		7. Local survey organization Clio Group, Inc.		1. County Philadelphia	
8. property owners name and address Philadelphia Industrial Development Corp. Financing Corporation 1439-61 N. 31st Street Philadelphia PA 19121		9. tax parcel number / other number 292310400	10. U.T.M. zone 18 easting 484120 11. status (other surveys, lists etc.) 4425240 northing usgs sheet: Philadelphia Quad		2. Municipality Philadelphia 6. other name (historic name if any) Bergner & Engel Brewing Co.
12. classification site () structure () object () building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in N.R. district yes () no ()	13. date(s) (how determined) 1892	15. style, design or folk type 18 - Victorian Romanesque	19. original use 050700P-Brewery (contd)		
16. architect or engineer Wolf, Otto	14. period 1880-1899	18. primary building mat./construction 03 - Brick with stone trim	20. present use Storage		
23. site plan with north arrow 				3. street address or specific location 1439-61 N. 31st Street	
24. photo notation DM-NPI-5-8		26. brief description (note unusual features, integrity, environment, threats and associated buildings) <p>The brewery stable at 31st and Jefferson is an imposing symmetrical design by the most important Victorian brewery designer in Philadelphia. Here, end pavillions terminate wings of two bays flanking a three-bay central block. The main articulation is formed by shallow piers and belt courses that frame each bay. The openings in the end pavillions and center bay are round-headed, while the windows of the two wings are spanned by flat stone lintels. Accents of light stone, corbelled brick cornices, and a copy stone belt course mark each bay, with a raised parapet in the center capped by a shallow pediment to complete the facade.</p> <p>The first floor doors have been bricked up, but much of the exterior detail remains intact with the exception of a pressed metal row of pinnacles.</p>			4. survey code 044-88400-01439
25. file/notation DM-NPI-5-8		27. history, significance and/or background (continue on back if necessary) <p>The breweries that gave "Brewerytown" its name lined the edge of what became Fairmount Park, and gave to each neighborhood its own brewery. The Bergner and Engel brewery was one of the oldest in the city, and marks the continued involvement of the German families with brewing. The hills along the Schuylkill River had served as the location of caves for aging beer in the early 19th century, and later became the center of the brewing as well. When prohibition closed the breweries, this, (continued)</p>			
28. sources of information Bromley, 1910 Atlas of Philadelphia		29. prepared by: G. Thomas			
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19. continued: 019802P - stable

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like most of the others closed.

The architect Otto Wolf is primarily known for his brewery work, with this typical of his designs. The building functioned as a stable, providing room for the hundreds of horses required to make the daily beer deliveries to neighborhood taprooms.

EVALUATION

Would contribute to a district.

EVALUATOR(S)

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