WAREHOUSE (HO100)

Address 278 Queensberry Street, Melbourne and rear part 618-630 Elizabeth Street
Date/period c.1912-1933/ Federation
Building type Commercial
Grading C2

Significance

What is Significant?
The building, in particular, the two street frontages featuring a combination of brick and rendered surfaces and original arched windows.

How is it Significant?
The warehouse is of historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Melbourne.

Why is it Significant?
The warehouse is historically significant for being representative of the phase of more substantial industrial development that began in this part of Melbourne/Carlton about 1900. Light industrial factories such as carriage builders and furniture manufacturers were developed in the area at this time, including this site and one nearby at 109-115 Berkeley Street (HO20). In addition, it was later a part of the Repco's holdings in the vicinity (which also included 90 Berkeley Street).
(AHC Criterion A4)

The warehouse is of aesthetic significance as a largely intact example of a Federation period warehouse. The extent of the façade built in stages but retaining the original format, is unusual. Elements of note are the decorative rendered parapet, basalt sills and many original timber-framed windows.
(AHC Criterion E2)