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## GERRESHEIMER GLASS INC. MATERIALS CA. 1946-1972

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### COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	5 manuscript folders and 1 oversized manuscript folder
COLLECTION DATES:	Ca. 1946-1972
PROVENANCE:	Gerresheimer Glass Inc., Millville, New Jersey, November 2008
RESTRICTIONS:	None

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**ALTERNATE FORMATS:**

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**NOTES:**

**HISTORICAL SKETCH**

Gerresheimer Glass Inc., an international company based in Dusseldorf, Germany, specializes in pharma and life sciences glass and plastic ware. They have 42 locations with plants in Europe, Asia, and the Americas. The company was founded in 1864 by Ferdinand Heye and began becoming more specialized in the 1980s. This company acquired the Kimble-Kontes Company from Owens-Illinois, Inc. in 1997.

Kimble-glass Company was founded by Colonel Evan Ewan Kimble in Chicago. As the company expanded the headquarters was formed in Vineland, New Jersey. Kimble acquired Kontes glass company in 1982.

Owens Bottle-Machine Company was founded by Michael Owens after he invented the automatic bottle making machine in 1903. This company merged with Illinois Glass Company in 1929. In 1965 they became Owens-Illinois, Inc. so their name would encompass their broader productions of glass and plastic ware. This company is an international company that produces a variety of different types of containers. Its trade name is O-I.

**Sources:**

Information obtained from materials in the collection.

Gerresheimer Glass, Inc. Website <Gerresheimer.com>

Kimble website <Kimble-chase.com>

Owens Illinois, Inc. website<O-i.com>

**SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

This collection contains information about the purchase of land from Mr. and Mrs. Boggs in Warsaw, Indiana by Owens-Illinois, Inc. for a manufacturing plant that would make containers. Included in this collection are: warranty deeds and corporate deeds for the purchase, correspondence that took place before the purchase dealing with issues of building a bridge, zoning, and availability of utilities, as well as purchasing agreements. Also, two oversized surveyor drawings are included that show the Industrial Park as well as the specific property being sold.

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