

C138.5 - Citizens Gas Company of Indianapolis

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When the then new *Catalog of United States Perfins* was published by Joe and Dorothy Balough in 1979 the user of perfin pattern C138.5 - CG/Co - was not identified. Joe Balough's 1982 "Addition and Corrections

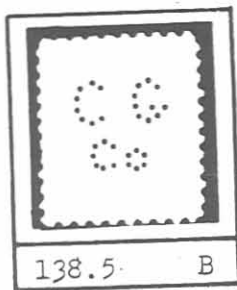
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Pages" added this terse comment, "C138.5 Positive ID - 512 Michigan St., Indianapolis, IN." John Lyding, Editor of *The Perfin Bulletin* let me know that he has a pencil entry in his catalog "Citizen's Gas Company of Indianapolis, 31-33 South Pennsylvania Street, Indianapolis, IN." Unfortunately, this manuscript entry dates prior to 1987 when John became the *Bulletin* editor. Prior to that date he did not document additions and corrections he made in his copy of the catalog.

CITIZENS GAS COMPANY OF INDIANAPOLIS

31-33 SOUTH PENNSYLVANIA STREET
INDIANAPOLIS, IND.



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1202 MADISON AVE.,

CITY.

The corner card on this cover proves, what Indiana collectors have long suspected, that C138.5 was from Citizens Gas Company. The 31-33 South Pennsylvania Street, Indianapolis, Indiana address matches the penciled entry in John's catalog and is a firm indication that the next revision of the US Catalog should identify "Citizens Gas Company of Indianapolis, Indianapolis, IN" as the user of perfin pattern C138.5. The previous ID on Michigan Street should be dropped in absence of any additional supporting data.

An advance copy of this article and a photocopy of the cover was forwarded to our John Randall, our US Catalog Editor. John notified the *Bulletin* Editor that he was able to confirm this from another source.