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Collection of booklets relating to the history of
Woodall-Duckham companies, British Coal and specific
British gas and chemical plants

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[A collection of historical material from AMEC chiefly re gas production by Woodhall-Duckham, but also reflecting the work of other companies and other aspects of gas production]

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