

Motor 1 Database									
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4/28/31	F White	Supt	Ridgway	F C Krauser	Asst to Rec	Denver	PG letter	41	3 docs to 5/1: Bought Buick with good engine for \$60 for other motor at Dolores. Engine # 1230121. (M1 Buick was bought in Dolores, M2 Buick was bought in Denver.) Attached is requisition for parts to turn into a motor. Rush if we are going to be in service on 6/1 (M1 didn't make it until 6/16). Check for \$60 sent to Dolores agent.
5/1/31	Fields Bros Hardware		Ridgway						13 bills & a voucher during May for parts for M1 construction. Total \$57.26.
5/5/31				Montrose Auto Wrecking		Montrose	Voucher		2 docs to 5/5: Purchase 6 Ford auto frames for \$3.00. 4 for M1 construction, 2 for M2 construction.
5/5/31	C W Graebing	Auditor	Denver	F White	Supt	Ridgway	PG letter	R468	2 docs to 5/11: Discussion about tires, wheels & bearings for M1.
5/7/31				Fairmont Rwy Motors		Fairmont MN			2 docs to 5/8: 8 demountable wheels for trailer construction for M1, Charge 1/3 to M2.
5/8/31				Carl Pearson	Brass Foundry	Denver	Voucher		2 docs to 5/8: 4 pices 4" square brass 12" long. Charged 50/50 M1 & M2.
5/12/31				Linde Air		Denver	Voucher		2 docs to 5/12: 1 tank oxygen for M1 construction.
5/13/31	F White	Supt	Ridgway	C W Graebing	Auditor	Denver	PG telegram		Hold up on order of 23" OD tires for M2 construction until we test M1.
5/18/31				Amer Mang Steel		Denver	Voucher		2 docs to 5/18: 2 steel tires for M1 construction.
5/19/31				Hartman Bros		Montrose	PG voucher		Windshield wiper, material & tow cable for M1.
5/20/31				Hartman Bros		Montrose	Voucher		2 docs to 5/20: Glass for M1 construction.
5/22/31	F White	Supt	Ridgway	S S Jay	Cond	Atascadero, CA	PG letter	13	Your leave of absence extended 90 days. We are putting M1 on between Telluride & Dolores on 6/1. Putting M2 on between Ridgway & Telluride on 7/1 replacing mixed. Plan 1 train/week Ridgway to Dolores & return. So not much work.
5/25/31	F C Krauser	Asst to Rec	Denver	F White	Supt	Ridgway	PG letter	r468	Not order 100 gals. of gas yet. Order what you need from Ouray for tests of M1.
5/27/31				Hendrie & Bolthoff		Denver	Voucher		2 docs to 5/27: Parts for M1 construction.
5/29/31	F C Krauser	Asst to Rec	Denver	F White	Supt	Ridgway	Letter		2 docs: Gives gasoline prices at 6 stations on RGS. Continental will loan drum and drum pump at any of the points so you do not have to obtain all your gas at Ridgway while experimenting with the motor car (M1) until you are satisfied with the operation of the motor car.
5/29/31				Montrose Radiator		Montrose	Voucher		2 docs to 5/29: Core installed in Buick radiator of M1.
5/31/31				Agent		Ridgway	PG voucher		Freight & express charges for May. M1 construction: \$20.86, M2 construction: \$3.25, trailers construction: \$1.69.
6/4/31	F White	Supt	Ridgway	F C Krauser	Asst to Rec	Denver	PG letter	41	M1 completed 6/1. Tested Ridgway to Peak & return lite. Then run to Peak with 3762 lbs. of rail. Had to use lower gear to avoid overheating. Then to Pandora lite. On 6/3 Telluride to Dolores & return. Good for 20 mph on curves. Got to 30 mph. Mechanic to fix overheating. Establish motorman jobs Telluride - Dolores. Prefer conductors account paperwork. Trainmen also interested in job. Should build the bigger M2 without trailer as need weight on drive wheels. For significant savings need to build M2 & use Ridgway -Telluride. But won't be able if (USPO) insists on mail car.
6/10/31	O H Steinman	TM	Ridgway	All Bulletin Boards			Bulletin		Bulletin 14: Establish M1 as replacement for 375-376 effective 6/16. Apply for motorman position at \$165/mo with no overtime (salary). Must make reports and be capable of handling gasoline motor.
6/12/31							PG voucher		\$0.95 for bearing & special messenger.
6/15/31				All Bulletin Boards			Bulletin		Bulletin 16: Schedule of M1 lv Telluride 07:00 arr Dolores 11:00 lv Dolores 12:00 arr Telluride 16:00.
6/17/31				Foster Auto Supply		Denver	PG voucher		Stuff for M1 & M2. Split 50/50.
6/27/31				Hartman Bros		Montrose	PG voucher		Buick generator parts for M1.
7/11/31	F White	Supt	Ridgway	F C Krauser	Asst to Rec	Denver	LPG letter	9	Will handle with Continental Oil at Telluride for gas for M1.
7/16/31				Dolores Motor		Dolores	PG voucher		2 docs to 7/16: Labor repairing short in generator of M1.
7/31/31				Conoco		Telluride	PG voucher		2 docs to 7/31: 28 gals motor oil for M1 & M2.
8/3/31				Montrose Auto Wrecking		Montrose	PG voucher		One Buick axle for M1.
8/6/31	R L Henderson	Rwy Mail Serv Supt	Omaha	V A Miller	Receiver	Denver	PG letter		Received sketch of floor plans of M1 & M2. Questions.
8/7/31	?	Agent	Rico	F White	Supt	Ridgway	Telegram		Unloaded from M1 today: 1000 lbs. of sugar.
8/14/31	F White	Supt	Ridgway	F C Krauser	Asst to Rec	Denver	PG letter	41	2 docs to 8/20: Preparing to make closed body on M1 to comply with Post Office. Estimated cost \$27.62.
8/15/31				Hartman Bros		Montrose	PG voucher		Bearing for M1.
8/17/31				Hartman Bros		Montrose	PG voucher		Bearing for M1 from Grand Jct.
8/17/31		Agent	Rico	F White	Supt	Ridgway	Letter		?ups unloaded from motor Durango 8/15/ & 8/17.
8/20/31				Ridgway Garage		Ridgway	PG voucher		2 spark plugs for M1.
8/20/31	Montrose Auto Wrecking		Montrose	RGS		Ridgway	PG bill		Something for M1.
8/21/31				Auto Equip		Denver	PG voucher		Air horns for M1 & M2.
8/31/31				F White	Supt	Ridgway	PG voucher		Include 25 cents for bus charge on bearing.
9/2/31	C W Graebing	Auditor		F White	Supt	Ridgway	PG note		We owe United Motors \$0.95 for bearing, special delivery.
11/15/31				R L Henderson	RMS Supt	Omaha	PG		Diagrams & description of M1 & M2.
11/15/31	F White	Supt	Ridgway	C W Graebing	Auditor	Denver	PG		Photos of M1 & M2. (No photos.)
12/4/31	F White	Supt	Ridgway	F C Krauser	Asst to Rec	Denver	Telegram		Rush 4' of 2.5" flexible heater tubing for M1.
12/28/31	F White	Supt	Ridgway	F C Krauser	Asst to Rec	Denver	PG letter		Putting snowplow & flanger on M1 similar to M3. M3 handles 5" snow and drifts. M3 is design we are going forward with.
1/31/33	O H Steinman	TM	Ridgway	F C Krauser	Asst to Rec	Denver	Letter		Engine miles of RGS locos and motors 1 through 4 for January 1933.
Various									13 pages of M1 movements from dispatcher sheets when available from 6/5/31 to 8/19/32 compiled by Karl Schaeffer.
Various									4 newspaper articles that M1 is being built to replace steam trains 4/24/31 to 5/30/31.
Various									9 newspaper articles about operation of M1 6/5/31 to 1/22/32.