

AREA: Financial District

MAGI NO.: 0411485811

Address: 10 East Baltimore Street
 Current Name: W. R. Grace Building

Block: 635 Lot: 23	Lot size: 114' x 155'
Height: Fifteen stories	Materials: Brick
Condition: Good	Owner: American Trading Real Estate Inc.
Use: Offices	Accessible: Yes
Designation: None	Liber/Folio: CWM 4230-741



Historic Name: W. R. Grace Building
 Date: 1974
 Architect/Builder: Bower and Fradley (Philadelphia)
 Style (if appropriate):

Description:

This fifteen story high brown brick faced building is five bays wide along the East Baltimore Street facade and three bays wide along the Charles Street elevation. The recessed entrance with a projecting revolving door is located next to a curving brick wall at the easternmost bay on East Baltimore Street. The upper floors of this bay are blank and set off from the remainder of the facade by a thin recession. Aluminum and glass storefronts for commercial establishments are located between brick piers. The storefronts are recessed along Charles Street. Above the storefronts is a mechanical level that is defined by recessed vented panels. The fenestration on the upper floors is regular. Each bay features five aluminum frame single pane windows flanked by narrower recessed windows. The Charles Street elevation is similar to Baltimore Street except that the northern bay is only three stories high.

Significance:

Area: Architecture

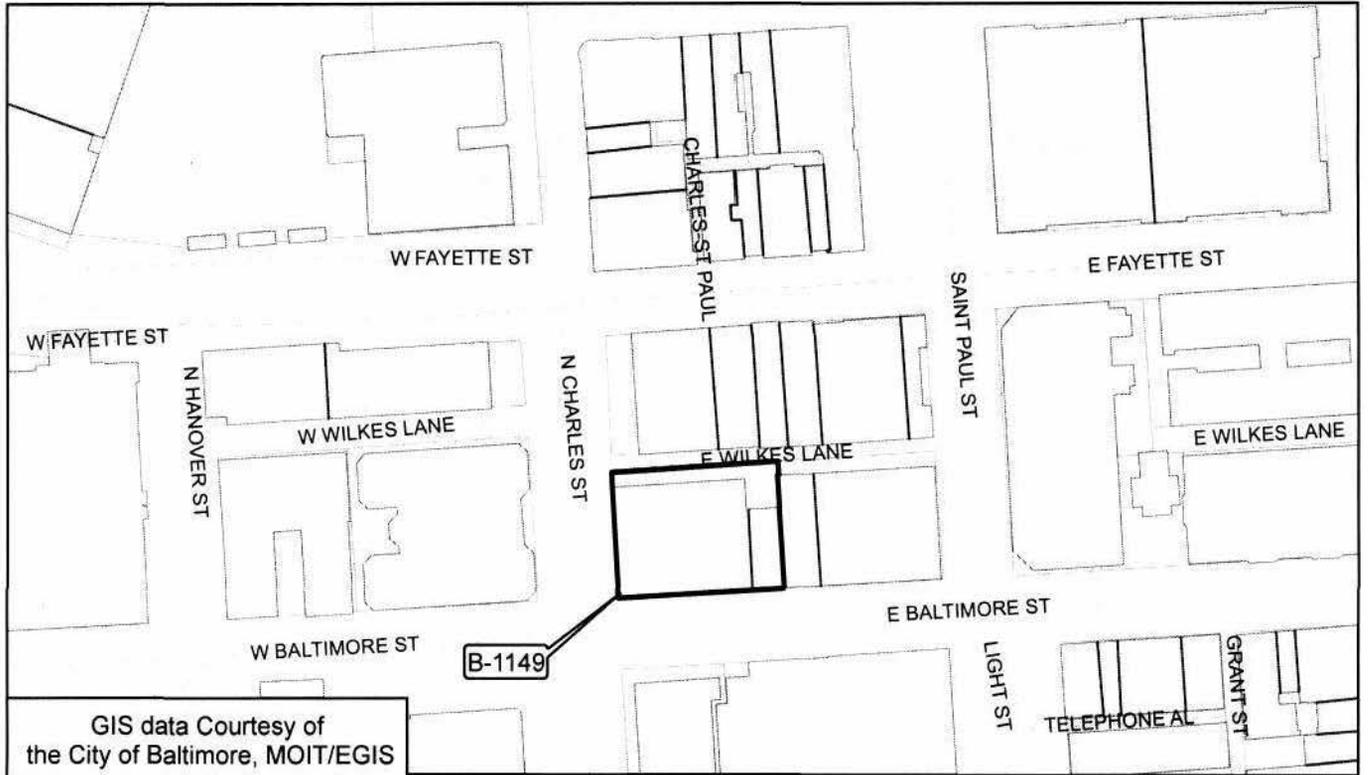
Level: Local

The Grace Building is a modern structure designed to be compatible to Charles Center across Charles Street. However the height of the building is fairly consistent with nearby older buildings such as the B & O Building and the Lord Baltimore Hotel. Also the building retains the storefront character of the area. Although it is not a contributing structure to the historic character of the Financial District, the building is not as intrusive as other new, nearby buildings. This building stands on the site of Mergenthaller's factory where the linotype machine was invented. A plaque marking the site is located on the rear, Wilkes Lane side of the building.

Sources:

Surveyor and Date: Fred B. Shoken, July 1985

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W.R. Grace Building
10 E. Baltimore Street
Block 0635, Lot 018 (Formerly lot 023)
Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad.





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W.R. Grace Building
10 East Baltimore Street
Financial District-Metrocenter Survey
Baltimore (City), Maryland
Photo: Fred Shoken
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Neg.loc.: Maryland Historical Trust
Southwest corner view