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Date: Interview recorded in 2006 about events surrounding the Eastern Corporation's Mill in Brewer Maine before it closed in 2004.

Description: Interview with Dola Hinckley about her experiences working at the mill from 1974 to 2004.

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Dola Hinckley: ...I guess what I wanna say is that I never let guys know that I was, wasn't—I never let guys know that I was there to be fooled with. And I never had a problem. *Never* had a problem. Once you get the idea through their head that you're there to work, and to work with them, and that you don't expect them to help you with your work...I think that was a, that could've been an issue with some of the guys is that "Well, she's a woman, she's gonna expect you to help, you know, help her out, and why should we have to help her out," and this type of thing. But once they realized that I could do the job, you know, it was like "Hey, she's all right," you know? And I think I gained a lot of respect from the guys. I guess [laughs] at one time there was a woman out to the front office, I'm not gonna mention any names, but, and the issue of her not being able to handle the job and she said "Well you know, not all us women are like Dola," [AS laughs] you know, and it kind of said that you know, yeah, we know she can do the job, she can handle it, but not all of us can do that. So it was kind of a odd compliment but I took it.